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Legislative Advocacy Committee Members:
Mary L. Adams, Chair
Ian Oglesby
Alvin Edwards

Alternate:
Karen Paull

Staff Contact
David J. Stoldt,
General Manager

Roger Gwinn, The
Ferguson Group
(Federal Consultant)

John Arriaga, JEA &
Associates
(State Consultant)

Sara Reyes,
Committee Clerk

Mission Statement
Sustainably manage and augment the water resources of the Monterey Peninsula to meet the needs of its residents and businesses while protecting, restoring, and enhancing its natural and human environments.

Vision Statement
Model ethical, responsible, and responsive governance in pursuit of our mission.

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AGENDA
Legislative Advocacy Committee
of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

Wednesday, April 24, 2024 at 1:00 p.m. [PST] | *Virtual Meeting*

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Action Items – *Public comment will be received on all Action Items. Please limit your comments to three minutes in length.*

1. Consider Adoption of the January 24, 2024 Committee Meeting Minutes

Discussion Items – *Public comment will be received on all Discussion Items. Please limit your comments to three minutes in length.*

2. Report from The Ferguson Group on Federal Legislative and Regulatory Activities
3. Report from JEA & Associates on Legislative Status and Bill Tracking
4. Status of Request Applications for FY 2024-25 Earmarks

Other Items

5. Suggest Items to Place on a Future Committee Agenda

Adjournment

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LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

ITEM: ACTION ITEM

1. CONSIDER ADOPTION OF THE JANUARY 24, 2024 COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024

From: David J. Stoldt,
General Manager

Prepared By: Sara Reyes

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: Attached as **Exhibit 1-A** are draft committee meeting minutes for January 24, 2024, are attached for your review and approval.

RECOMMENDATION: The Committee should adopt the minutes by motion.

EXHIBIT

1-A Draft Minutes of the January 24, 2024 Committee Meeting



EXHIBIT 1-A

Draft Minutes Legislative Advocacy Committee of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Wednesday, January 24, 2024

The meeting was conducted via Teleconference - by Zoom.

Call to Order

Chair Paull called the meeting to order at 3:01 p.m.

Committee members present:

Mary Adams, Chair
Ian Oglesby
Alvin Edwards

Committee members absent:

None

Staff members present:

David J. Stoldt, General Manager
Sara Reyes, Sr. Office Specialist

District Counsel present:

David Laredo with De Lay and Laredo

Legislative Consultant:

John Arriaga, JEA & Associates
Laurie Johnson, JEA & Associates
Roger Gwinn, The Ferguson Group
Chris Kearney, The Ferguson Group
Chris Cummins, The Ferguson Group

Comments from the Public:

No comments were directed to the committee.

Action Items

1. Consider Adoption of the June 28, 2023 Committee Meeting Minutes

Chair Adams introduced the matter and opened public comment; no comments were directed to the committee.

A motion was offered by Director Edwards with a second from Director Adams to approve the June 28, 2023 Committee meeting minutes. The motion passed on a roll-call vote of 2-Ayes (Edwards and Adams), 0-Noes and 1-Abstention (Oglesby).

Discussion Items

2. Report from The Ferguson Group on Federal Legislative and Regulatory Activities

General Manager Stoldt introduced the matter and introduced Roger Gwinn from The Ferguson Group. Mr. Stoldt reported that Mr. Gwinn is attempting to establish appointments in Washington

D.C. with various representatives during the ACWA conference at the end of February 2024, which will be attended by Directors Anderson and Adams and David Stoldt.

Roger Gwinn made the following points to include, but are not limited to:

- Brief overview of matters in the House of Representatives and Senate
- FY 2024 Federal Funding
- Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project
- FY Appropriations for MPWMD
- FY 2025 Outlook
- 2024 Federal WaterSMART Grant Opportunities
- Water Resources Development Act of 2024
- Other Authorizing Legislation-Legislative Tracker

Chris Cummins with The Ferguson Group made the following points to include, but are not limited to:

- Authorizing Legislation -- STREAM Act Light
- Legislative Tracker Highlights --
 - WATER for California Act Working to Advance Tangible and Effective Reforms for California Act
 - Water Conservation and Farming Act
 - Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023

3. Report from JEA & Associates

John Arriaga provided introductory remarks and made the following points to include, but are not limited to:

- Legislators returned on January 3, 2024 with a busy schedule dealing with legislation and issues that carried over from the previous year
- Speaker Robert Rivas is beginning his first full year as Speaker and has made numerous changes within various committees on the Assembly
- Senator McGuire will be serving beginning February 5, 2024
- Governor Newsom rolled out his proposed budget on January 10, 2024
- MPWMD's proposed legislation authority to sell water and retail

Laurie Johnson made the following points to include, but are not limited to:

- Highlighted aspects of Governor Newsom's budget proposal
 - Budget Resilience
 - Belt Tightening
 - Fund Shifts
 - Delays and Deferrals

Other Updates:

- New bills must be introduced by February 16, 2024
- Two water/climate bond bills (AB 1567 and SB 867)
- Bill of interest to the District (AB 1572)

4. Report from General Manager on Recent or Upcoming Legislative Actions

General Manager Stoldt engaged in discussion on various topics with The Ferguson Group and JEA & Associates. Mr. Stoldt reported he will be attending an ACWA conference in Sacramento May 7-9, 2024, and hopes to meet with the State Water Board to request lifting the Cease and Desist Order.

Other Items

5. Suggest Items to Place on a Future Committee Agenda

- Update from meetings attended in Washington DC by Directors Anderson and Adams and General Manager Stoldt

Adjournment:

There being no further business, Chair Adams adjourned the meeting at 4:28 p.m.

/ s/ Sara C. Reyes

Sara C. Reyes, Committee Clerk to the
MPWMD Legislative Advocacy Committee

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LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

ITEM: DISCUSSION ITEM

2. REPORT FROM THE FERGUSON GROUP ON FEDERAL LEGISLATIVE AND REGULATORY ACTIVITIES

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024 **Budgeted:** N/A

From: David J. Stoldt,
General Manager **Program/** N/A
Line Item No.:

Prepared By: David J. Stoldt **Cost Estimate:** N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: The Ferguson Group will provide an update on activities related to federal legislation and regulatory activities.

EXHIBITS

2-A TFG Federal Quarterly Report

2-B Federal Legislative Tracker



TO: Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

FROM: The Ferguson Group

RE: Federal Legislative Report

DATE: April 2024

Quarterly Legislative Report

The Monterey Peninsula Water Management District's (MPWMD) legislative report covers federal legislative and agency activities related to appropriations, budget, water and natural resources, environmental protection, as well as other water agency-related issues.

Advocacy Update

Fiscal Year 2024 Appropriations

On March 23, 2024, Congress passed the Further Consolidated Appropriations Act of 2024. This bill is a "minibus" bill, comprised of the remaining six Fiscal Year (FY) 2024 Appropriations bills, sending them to the President's desk for signature. President Biden signed the minibus into law later that day. Though delayed by several months, the passage of these Appropriations bills closed out the FY 2024 Appropriations process.

The Energy and Water Development (E&W) Appropriations bill includes extra funding for the Corps of Engineers' section 219/environmental infrastructure account. This is the account MPWMD will be tapping to fund projects that can be carried out under the "*Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Program*," an initiative authorized by a statutory provision Rep. Jimmy Panetta secured on behalf of MPWMD in the Water Resources Development Act of 2022 ([section 8375\(a\)\(292\) of Public Law 117-263](#)). Any funds secured are cost-shared on a 75 percent federal, 25 percent non-federal basis. Assistance can be secured under the authority for all project phases, including construction.

Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations

Attention has swiftly turned to the FY 2025 Appropriations process, though the precise timeline along which these bills are expected to be developed and considered remains uncertain. On April 17th, the Senate Appropriations Committee issued guidance on the Fiscal Year 2025 Appropriations and Congressionally Directed Spending requests, formally beginning the FY 2025 process. Though aspects of the FY 2025 process will certainly continue to progress, Congress – and more specifically, the House – has become mired in debate over foreign military aid expenditures to Israel, Ukraine, and Taiwan. Congress is expected to consider and swiftly pass a package to provide military and related aid to these three allies, though certain Members have indicated they will seek to oust Speaker of the House Mike Johnson (R-La.–4). Should these members follow through with the

threat of attempting to remove Speaker Johnson, it will likely further delay the FY 2025 Appropriations process.

MPWMD FY 2025 Appropriations Requests

TFG worked with MPWMD to submit two specific Community Project Funding/Congressionally Directed Spending requests:

Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project - \$650,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, Environmental Infrastructure, for the Oliver Street Stormwater Diversion (\$300,000) and Feasibility and Design of Other Diversion and Recycling Projects (\$350,000).

Water Resources Development Act of 2024

Congress is also developing the latest iteration of the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA), which authorizes various activities and projects administered by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. This bill, which arises for consideration every two years, is an important vehicle to help MPWMD to address infrastructure priorities.

As reported in the January Quarterly Legislative Report, [MPWMD](#) has requested Rep. Panetta and Senators Padilla and Butler seek [amendments](#) in the Water Resources Development Act (WRDA) of 2024 to section 219 (Environmental Infrastructure authority) to allow federal assistance under the program to be provided in the form of reimbursements. The change is expected to save MPWMD and the Corps time and money for work carried out under the “*Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Program*,” authority secured for MPWMD by Rep. Jimmy Panetta in WRDA 2022 that authorizes up to \$20 million in federal assistance for water infrastructure.

Washington Meetings

In coordination with the Washington Flyin for the Association of California Water Agencies, MPWMD (Amy Anderson, Supervisor Mary Adams and Dave Stoldt) met with the District’s Congressional Delegation and the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Headquarters to discuss MPWMD federal priorities, including the FY 2025 earmark requests and WRDA policy requests, both highlighted above.

Water Authorizations

Several water-related bills have been introduced recently, most of which are reflected in the Legislative Tracker, that may be of interest to the District, including the [Water Efficiency, Conservation, and Sustainability Act of 2023](#), introduced by Senator Padilla and Representative Mike Levin (D-Calif.-49) that would authorize \$550 million for states, municipalities, water systems, and tribal nations to implement water-efficiency upgrades and establish programs to repair leaks, especially in areas experiencing severe drought and in low-income communities. The full text of the bill is available [here](#).

Washington News

New House Appropriations Chairman Named; Senate Appropriations Announces New Chairs

Rep. Tom Cole (R-OK) has been announced as the new chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, succeeding Rep. Kay Granger (R-TX), who recently stepped down from the role. Rep. Cole's promotion marks a significant shift in congressional leadership positions, particularly as this change occurs during an election year. Chairman Cole has acknowledged the spending caps set by the 2023 debt-limit law as guidance but does not see them as a definitive starting point for spending in FY 2025 due to disagreements over a side deal made with the Biden White House by former Speaker Kevin McCarthy (R-CA) to allow added spending beyond the caps.

In the Senate, Sen. Kyrsten Sinema (I-AZ) has become chair of the Senate Appropriations Military Construction-VA Subcommittee following the reorganization prompted by the death of Sen. Dianne Feinstein (D-CA). Sen. Sinema will serve in this position on a short-term basis, as she is not seeking reelection this November. Sen. Patty Murray (D-WA) has taken over Sen. Feinstein's previous role as chair of the Energy and Water Development Subcommittee while remaining as full committee chair.

EPA Sets Strict Limits for Six PFAS in Drinking Water

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has finalized a set of first-time enforceable limits for six per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) in drinking water, aiming to reduce PFAS exposure for approximately 100 million people. The final rule sets individual maximum contaminant levels (MCLs) for five out of the six PFAS regulated, differing slightly from the proposed rule, and easing the initial implementation of the rule for water utilities.

The rule introduces a novel dose-additivity approach for regulating mixtures of up to four PFAS and includes a compliance timeline extension, granting water utility systems five years to meet the new standards. This extension provides an additional two years compared to the proposed rule, allowing water systems time to install necessary treatment technologies.

EPA's rule sets MCLs for the two most studied PFAS, perfluorooctanoic acid (PFOA) and perfluorooctane sulfonic acid (PFOS), at 4 parts per trillion (ppt) each. Additionally, the rule regulates PFNA, PFHxS, GenX, and PFBS, setting individual MCLs for three out of these four PFAS at 10 ppt each, while using a mixtures approach for PFBS.

EPA plans to support water systems with compliance by providing a series of webinars and a communications toolkit for water utilities and community leaders. The agency also announced \$1 billion in funding for states to address PFAS through grants under the bipartisan Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act law (IIJA). These funds are part of a broader \$9 billion allocated specifically to PFAS and emerging contaminant treatment, in addition to \$12 billion for general drinking water investments, including PFAS treatment.

EPA anticipates legal challenges from industry groups over the rule but emphasizes the significant health benefits, including reducing cancers and birth complications, that come with regulating PFAS in drinking water.

EPA to Collect PFAS Data from POTWs

On March 26, 2024, the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) announced plans for an information collection request (ICR) from hundreds of publicly owned treatment works (POTWs) regarding per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS) discharges from industrial facilities and the presence of these chemicals in POTW influent, effluent, and sewage sludge. This ICR will likely be used to lay the groundwork for potential first-time Clean Water Act (CWA) limits on various sectors and sources. The agency will gather basic data through a questionnaire from 400 POTWs and conduct sampling data from a subset of 200 to 300 POTWs. The collected data is intended to assist in developing technology-based effluent limitations guidelines for different industry sectors and inform future risk assessments and management options.

States Ramp Up Efforts to Limit SRF Earmarks

States and water interest groups, including the Council of Infrastructure Financing Authorities (CIFA), the group that represents state SRF programs, are intensifying their efforts to secure funding for the Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) clean water and drinking water state revolving loan funds (SRFs) beyond FY 2025. Concerns about potential funding shortfalls, particularly after the expiration of infrastructure law funds, have led to the creation of the "Save the SRFs" coalition, advocating for full funding of the SRFs at congressionally authorized levels of \$3 billion each. While the coalition is primarily focused on FY 2025 spending, discussions also revolve around strategies to ensure the long-term sustainability of the SRFs, including potential limitations on congressional earmarks.

But recently a significant portion of appropriated SRF funds is being directed towards congressionally earmarked projects, prompting criticism and calls for alternative funding sources. In FY 2024, a total of 48% of clean water SRF funding and 54% of drinking water SRF funding was earmarked. EPA officials are cautiously addressing concerns about the impact of earmarks on the SRF program, emphasizing the revolving loan program's benefits for communities over time.

EPA Launches New Website to Improve Transparency in Permitting

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has announced the launch of a new website, www.epa.gov/permits aimed at providing centralized information on federal environmental permitting. This platform highlights EPA's permitting and environmental review programs, including information on related statutes and environmental justice initiatives. In alignment with commitments under Title 41 of the Fixing America's Surface Transportation Act (FAST-41), the website also displays the status of EPA permits for large-scale infrastructure projects covered by this statute. The agency emphasized the website's role in enhancing transparency and accessibility for the public, permit applicants, and federal agency partners.

The website is said to offer centralized information on EPA permitting programs, public-facing reports and resources, FAST-41 information, and details on funding allocated for improving efficiencies in permitting under the Inflation Reduction Act.

EPA Defends 'Adjacent' Wetlands Definition as Critics Attack WOTUS Rule in Texas Case

EPA Defends 'Adjacent' Wetlands Definition as Critics Attack WOTUS Rule in Texas Case

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) is defending its controversial rule amending the definition of “waters of the United States” (WOTUS) in response to litigation challenges from states and industries. EPA argues in court filings in *State of Texas, et al. v. EPA, et al.* that its final amended WOTUS rule aligns with the Supreme Court's decision in *Sackett v. EPA*, which emphasized a “relatively permanent” surface connection between wetlands and adjacent waterbodies for regulatory purposes.

The agency faces criticism for allegedly omitting the “indistinguishable” criteria from the ruling, but EPA contends that its WOTUS rule appropriately interprets *Sackett*'s requirements. The plaintiffs' challenges in the case are also questioned on grounds of standing and ripeness, with EPA asserting that their claims lack merit and are speculative. Additionally, EPA defends its WOTUS rule's coverage of adjacent wetlands, stating that it aligns with *Sackett* by requiring a continuous surface connection, despite arguments to the contrary. The agency emphasizes precedent and practical application in interpreting the continuous surface connection requirement.

Biden White House Approves Endangered Species Act Rulemaking Reversing Trump Revisions

The Biden White House has approved changes to the Endangered Species Act (ESA) regulations, reversing some of the Trump-era rollbacks. These changes, expected to be announced soon by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service and NOAA Fisheries, have sparked renewed debate and are likely to face further litigation. The revisions address critical elements of the ESA, such as the designation of critical habitat and defining terms like “foreseeable future” for assessing species status. The new rules reinstate a default policy for threatened species to receive strict protections unless a special rule is created. Additionally, federal agencies must consult with FWS or NOAA Fisheries before authorizing actions on designated critical habitat.

The updated regulations emphasize ESA decisions based solely on scientific and commercial data, restoring a statement that listing decisions will be made without considering economic impacts, something the Trump-era rule included. While the changes have drawn varied reactions, including criticism from environmentalists who feel more aggressive action is needed, they mark a significant shift in ESA implementation towards stricter protections for endangered and threatened species.

Biden Administration Discusses Water Sector Cybersecurity Concerns with State/Local Officials

As a follow-up to a letter from the Biden Administration’s National Security Advisor Jake Sullivan and EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan to U.S. Governors, a meeting was held on March 21, 2024, between Anne Neuberger, Deputy National Security Advisor for Cyber and Emerging Technologies, and Janet McCabe, EPA Deputy Administrator, with state and local officials to address cybersecurity in the water sector.

The meeting emphasized the urgency of improving cybersecurity measures to safeguard the nation's water resources from potential cyber threats by foreign entities. Neuberger stressed the importance of collective state and local actions to enhance cybersecurity, highlighting the Biden Administration's collection of best practices and tools to assist critical infrastructure operators. McCabe echoed this sentiment, emphasizing the collective responsibility in cybersecurity and the EPA's role in collaboration with state and local partners to enhance cyber resilience.

State officials shared current cybersecurity efforts and challenges faced, including a shortage of technical expertise. EPA and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency (CISA) provided information on state coordination and available resources to address vulnerabilities. Neuberger requested each state to share a cybersecurity plan by May 20, 2024, outlining measures to protect water systems from cyber threats, encouraging utilization of EPA and CISA resources. Additionally, EPA announced the establishment of a Water

Sector Cybersecurity Task Force to mitigate cyber risks in water systems nationwide. Further information on EPA's cybersecurity program can be found on the EPA website.

Grant Funding Update

Funding Opportunities

Numerous opportunities for federal competitive grant funding are available to support a variety of District and District-partner priorities. Additional information regarding some of the key available funding opportunities can be found [here](#).

EXHIBIT 2-B



MPWMD 118th Legislative Tracker

Last Updated: April 19, 2024

Overview: The following legislative tracker provides the status of legislation introduced in the 118th Congress pertaining to water issues.

Each of the bill numbers is hyperlinked to the bill text, and other related details.

Bill Number: HR 2950	Last Action: Jan 17, 2024 - Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by Unanimous Consent.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: Coastal Habitat Conservation Act of 2023	Bill Summary: To authorize the Secretary of the Interior, through the Coastal Program of the United States Fish and Wildlife Service, to work with willing partners and provide support to efforts to assess, protect, restore, and enhance important coastal landscapes that provide fish and wildlife habitat on which certain Federal trust species depend, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Jared Huffman	Introduction Date: Apr 27, 2023

Bill Number: HR 8030	Last Action: Apr 16, 2024 - Referred to the Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: To amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the total amount of Federal assistance for projects in States experiencing severe drought and projects in historically disadvantaged communities, and for other purposes.	Bill Summary: To amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the total amount of Federal assistance for projects in States experiencing severe drought and projects in historically disadvantaged communities, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Scott Peters	Introduction Date: Apr 16, 2024

Bill Number: S 4134	Last Action: Apr 16, 2024 - Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: A bill to amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the total amount of Federal assistance for projects in States experiencing severe drought and projects in historically disadvantaged communities, and for other purposes.	Bill Summary: A bill to amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to the total amount of Federal assistance for projects in States experiencing severe drought and projects in historically disadvantaged communities, and for other purposes.
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Sponsor: Alex Padilla	Introduction Date: Apr 16, 2024
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Bill Number: HR 2671	Last Action: Apr 19, 2023 - Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: Restoring WIFIA Eligibility Act	Bill Summary: To amend the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014 with respect to budgetary treatment of certain amounts of financial assistance, and for other purposes.	
Sponsor: Jim Costa	Introduction Date: Apr 18, 2023	

Bill Number: HR 215	Last Action: Apr 28, 2023 - Ordered to be Reported (Amended) by the Yeas and Nays: 22 - 17.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: WATER for California Act Working to Advance Tangible and Effective Reforms for California Act	Bill Summary: To provide long-term water supply and regulatory reliability to drought-stricken California, and for other purposes.	
Sponsor:	Introduction Date:	

David Valadao	Jan 09, 2023
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Bill Number: HR 4385	Last Action: Feb 06, 2024 - Received in the Senate and Read twice and referred to the Committee on Energy and Natural Resources.	Status: Engrossed
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Bill Title: Drought Preparedness Act	Bill Summary: To extend authorization of the Reclamation States Emergency Drought Relief Act of 1991.
Sponsor: Joe Neguse	Introduction Date: Jun 27, 2023

Bill Number: HR 872	Last Action: Feb 21, 2023 - Referred to the Subcommittee on Water, Wildlife, and Fisheries.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: FISH Act Federally Integrated Species Health Act	Bill Summary: To amend the Endangered Species Act of 1973 to vest in the Secretary of the Interior functions under that Act with respect to species of fish that spawn in fresh or estuarine waters and migrate to ocean waters and species of fish that spawn in ocean waters and migrate to fresh or estuarine waters, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Ken Calvert	Introduction Date: Feb 08, 2023

Bill Number: S 2202	Last Action: Jul 19, 2023 - Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: RAIN Act Restore Aging Infrastructure Now Act	Bill Summary: A bill to amend the Omnibus Public Land Management Act of 2009 to authorize the modification of transferred works to increase public benefits and other project benefits as part of extraordinary operation and maintenance work, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Dianne Feinstein	Introduction Date: Jun 22, 2023

Bill Number: S 2162	Last Action: Jul 19, 2023 - Committee on Energy and Natural Resources Subcommittee on Water and Power. Hearings held.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: STREAM Act Support To Rehydrate the Environment, Agriculture, and Municipalities Act	Bill Summary: A bill to support water infrastructure in Reclamation States, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Dianne Feinstein	Introduction Date: Jun 22, 2023

Bill Number: HR 5664	Last Action: Sep 22, 2023 - Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act Amendments of 2023	Bill Summary: To reauthorize the Water Infrastructure Finance and Innovation Act of 2014, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Kim Schrier	Introduction Date: Sep 21, 2023

Bill Number: HR 490	Last Action: Feb 01, 2023 - Referred to the Subcommittee on Water Resources and Environment.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: Federal Infrastructure Bank Act of 2023	Bill Summary: To establish the Federal Infrastructure Bank to facilitate investment in, and the long-term financing of, economically viable United States infrastructure projects that provide a public benefit, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Daniel Webster	Introduction Date: Jan 24, 2023

Bill Number: S 660	Last Action: Mar 06, 2023 - Read twice and referred to the Committee on Environment and Public Works.	Status: Introduced
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Bill Title: Water System Threat Preparedness and Resilience Act of 2023	Bill Summary: A bill to establish a program to increase drinking water and wastewater system threat preparedness and resilience, and for other purposes.
Sponsor: Ed Markey	Introduction Date: Mar 06, 2023

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

ITEM: DISCUSSION ITEM

3. REPORT FROM JEA & ASSOCIATES ON LEGISLATIVE STATUS AND BILL TRACKING

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024 **Budgeted:** N/A

From: David J. Stoldt,
General Manager **Program/** N/A
Line Item No.:

Prepared By: David J. Stoldt **Cost Estimate:** N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: JEA & Associates will provide an update on activities related to California legislation and regulatory activities, as described in **Exhibit 3-A** and **Exhibit 3-B** bill tracker.

EXHIBITS

3-A JEA Associates Memo

3-B Sacramento Bill Tracker



EXHIBIT 3-A

Date: April 24, 2024

To: Dave Stoldt, General Manager, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

From: John E. Arriaga and Laurie Johnson, JEA & Associates

RE: Legislative Committee – April 24, 2024

Budget Update

As the Legislature is approaching its first legislative deadline for bills to get through their policy committees on the 26th, there has been more focus on the budget. In early-April, both the Houses and the Governor came to an agreement to trim \$17 billion early from the state's unknown, but massive deficit. This Early Action Agreement, includes:

- \$3.6 billion in Reductions from Multi-Year Budget Commitments, which include some climate programs, CalWORKs reversions, broadband and a housing foreclosure program.
- \$3.1 billion in Delays of funding to areas such as the Transit and Intercity Rail Capital Program, Behavioral Bridge Housing and Continuum programs, Broadband Last Mile to mention a few.
- \$5.2 billion in Revenue /Borrowing with the Managed Care Organization tax bringing in \$3.8 billion of that total.
- \$3.4 billion in Fund Shifts from the Greenhouse Gas Reduction Fund, Medi-Cal Drug Rebate Program, Retirement Contributions, etc.
- \$2.1 billion in Deferrals which include statewide payroll deferral and UC/CSU deferrals.

While this early agreement is a positive and proactive plan to address the state's growing deficit, there are more uncertainty than answers at this point. This uncertainty is firmly predicated on the actual size of our deficit. The Administration in recent weeks has conceded that their original estimate of \$38 billion has grown with monthly projections overstating incoming revenue – it is nothing compared to LAO's assertion that it is upwards of \$73 billion.

As previously stated, the Governor will be releasing his May Revise in the first two weeks of May. Hopefully, legislators and stakeholders will get a clearer sense of the true nature of the state's economic plight.

Legislative Update

As mentioned, the Legislature is fast approaching its policy committee deadline. Aside from holdover (2-year bills), there were over 2600 new introductions this year. The following are some of the new bills that we would like to highlight and consider positions:

- **AB 2257 (Wilson)** - AB 2257 would authorize public agencies to adopt procedures for the submittal and consideration of public comments regarding proposed water or sewer rates or assessments. If an agency elects to adopt exhaustion procedures, a person would be required to timely submit written comments that specify the grounds for alleging that the fees do not comply with Proposition 218 in order to challenge the fees in court. AB 2257 would place new obligations on public agencies during the ratemaking process, by requiring agencies to provide written responses to all comments received before acting on the proposed fees. AB 2257 would also detail documents that would comprise the administrative record in the event of litigation.

AB 2257 would build upon Proposition 218's existing procedural requirements by creating a clear and robust mechanism for customers to raise questions, concerns, comments, and criticisms of a proposed rate structure. The agency's governing body would have the benefit of hearing the evidence, which would include objections and the agency's responses, and apply its reasoned discretion and expertise. This is especially valuable in ratemaking cases in which evidence and policies are highly technical. The process would serve to foster better-informed administrative decisions, which benefit the objector, the public agency, and ratepayers that the agency serves. It would also help agencies develop more defensible rates and build rapport and trust with their ratepayers.

****ACWA Sponsored**

Recommend: **Support**

- **AB 2302 (Addis)** - This bill revises and recasts the number of meetings that a member of a legislative body may attend remotely under the provisions of AB 2449. Rather than specifying a percentage of meetings per year, this bill limits the number of meetings as follows:
 - a) Two meetings per year, if the legislative body regularly meets once per month or less.
 - b) Five meetings per year, if the legislative body regularly meets twice per month.
 - c) Seven meetings per year, if the legislative body regularly meets three or more times per month.

This bill also defines a "meeting" under the provisions of AB 2449 as any number of meetings that begin on the same calendar day.

****City of Pismo Beach is the Sponsor. ACWA and CMUA in support.**

Recommend: **Support**

- AB 2561 (McKinnor) - Would require each public agency with bargaining unit vacancy rates exceeding 10% for more than 90 days within the past 180 days to meet and confer with a representative of the recognized employee organization to produce, publish, and implement a plan consisting of specified components to fill all vacant positions within the subsequent 180 days. The bill would require the public agency to present this plan during a public hearing to the governing legislative body and to publish the plan on its internet website for public review for at least one year.

**** Labor vs. Counties and CMUA**

Recommend: **Oppose**

- SB 1188 (Laird) - SB 1188 would require the State Water Board to develop and adopt minimum standards of TMF capacity for small water systems with less than 10,000 connections. Small water systems would be required to demonstrate compliance with the TMF standards within two years of adoption. Further, the bill would prohibit the state from providing funding to a small PWS if minimum standards are not met. The bill grants exceptions for: an urgent need to ensure the supply of safe drinking water; the public system develops a plan, with Water Board approval, to come into compliance with the minimum standards; or a consolidation proceeding is initiated with another public water system that has sufficient TMF capacity.

****CMUA Opposed**

Recommend: **None**

SB 1210 (Skinner) – This bill would require utilities to post the following information for new housing construction on their websites:

- Amount of any charge issued for a connection, capacity charge, or other point of connection charge by housing unit's address; and
- The schedule of fees for a service connection, capacity charge, or other point of connection charge.

Additionally, utilities must ensure their websites allow an applicant for a service connection to new housing construction to:

- Track where the applicant is at in the queue for service connection; and

- Receive a reasonable estimate regarding when the utility will complete the applicant’s service connection.

SB 1210 defines utility to include private electrical, gas, sewer, and water corporations. It also includes the following publicly owned utilities:

- A municipality or municipal corporation operating as a public utility;
- A municipal utility district;
- A public utility district;
- An irrigation district; and
- A joint powers authority that includes one or more of the above entities that owns or operates electrical, gas, water, or sewer facilities or services.

**ACWA Opposes

Recommend: No Position

- **SB 1440 (Laird)** - Current law requires the regional boards to undertake reasonable efforts to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained an appropriate permit. Current law requires the state board, on or before December 31, to annually prepare a report that includes, among other things, a list of persons notified of their duty to comply with applicable stormwater permits and a description of the responses received to those notifications. This bill would require the annual report to additionally include a description of reasonable efforts undertaken by regional boards to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained coverage under an appropriate stormwater permit.

Recommend: No position

Attached is MPWMD’s legislative track, which includes all relevant 2024 bills introduced thus far.

Bond or No Bond?

As the Committee is aware, we have been actively participating in all climate and water bond measures over the past five years. Many were optimistic of the 2023 proposals, AB 1567 (Garcia) and SB 867 (Allen), each over \$15 billion for infrastructure development and improvements. However, due to the Governor insisting on his Prop. 1 be the only bond on the March ballot, both bills were sidelined. Now, ten months later, the State is in a critical deficit which has significantly impacted our bonding capacity. According to discussions between the Administration and ACWA, the state can bond about \$20 billion. However, there is a strong desire by the Legislature to also pursue a housing and education bond, leaving a little over \$6 billion for a climate/water bond. Discussions with the Administration and Leadership remain ongoing, and we will continue to closely monitor all developments and update the Committee.

Initiatives

In approaching this contentious November election, there is one possible initiative that aims to upend local government/agency financing. This is Initiative #1935, sponsored by the California Business Roundtable (CBRT), and known as the Taxpayer Protection and Government Accountability Act.

The CBRT measure would significantly restrict the ability of cities to raise taxes and fees, including retroactively. Taxes or fees passed since Jan. 1, 2022, must abide by the measure's rules. The measure would also create new opportunities to challenge local revenue measures.

The League of California Cities estimates that approximately \$2 billion in existing fees and charges, along with \$2 billion in voter-approved measures, will be subject to legal peril if this measure passes.

The rules for increasing fees and taxes have been clear for many years. This measure fundamentally alters those rules. The CBRT measure would define *all* sources of revenue as either taxes or "exempt charges" (fees). Local governing bodies would not be able to delegate fee adjustments to administrative entities.

Currently, fees for services or products must cover the "reasonable" cost of service. The CBRT initiative would amend the law so that these fees could not exceed the "actual cost" of providing the product or service. It defines "actual cost" as the "minimum amount necessary." This could mean cities would need to choose cheaper, less optimal projects, goods, and services or subsidize the activity, resulting in race-to-the-bottom service levels and quality.

Any taxes and fees adopted after Jan. 1, 2022, that do not comply with the measure's rules would become void unless reenacted within a year of the effective date of the measure. Voters in an annexed area would need to approve existing taxes and local voters could no longer pass special taxes qualified by initiative with a simple majority.

While this measure has qualified for the November 2024 ballot, it has yet to be added. This may be for a few reasons. First, the size and war chest of the opposing coalition is immense, with the counties and cities leading the charge, as well as the Governor and Legislature. Second, there is a competing initiative that has already been placed on the ballot – ACA 1 (Aguiar-Curry). This Constitutional Amendment was passed last year, allows a city, county, or special district, with 55% voter approval, to incur bonded indebtedness or impose specified special taxes to fund projects for affordable housing, permanent supportive housing, or public infrastructure. As in past elections, competing measures confuse the voters and weaken messaging, thus resulting in voters rejecting both initiatives.

Lastly, the US Supreme Court voted unanimously on a case that would make it easier to challenge development fees that are key to funding a broad array of public improvements, including roads, parks, sewer lines and schools. It's too early to determine what impact this recent ruling will have,

but it could lead to cities readjusting their fees or, at the very least, giving more consideration to how they justify them.

The Supreme Court did not strike down or alter any development fees. But the court said such impact fees could be unconstitutional if they force new development to pay an unfair share of public projects. The justices did not say what would be unfair, leaving that for the lower courts.

In conclusion, this potential ballot measures could have a tremendous impact on local governments/agencies ability to generate revenue and further denigrate infrastructure improvements. JEA & Associates will continue to monitor this issue closely and update the committee on any significant changes that may require a position and/or advocacy.

Other Legislative Meetings

The General Manager will provide details.

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EXHIBIT 3-B

**MPWMD Legislative Track
As of April 17, 2024**

Measure	Author	Topic	Status	Summary	Notes
<u>AB 1827</u>	<u>Papan D</u>	Local government: fees and charges: water: higher consumptive water parcels.	4/8/2024-Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.	The California Constitution specifies various requirements with respect to the levying of assessments and property-related fees and charges by a local agency, including requiring that the local agency provide public notice and a majority protest procedure in the case of assessments and submit property-related fees and charges for approval by property owners subject to the fee or charge or the electorate residing in the affected area following a public hearing. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local jurisdictions to comply with these requirements and, among other things, authorizes an agency providing water, wastewater, sewer, or refuse collection services to adopt a schedule of fees or charges authorizing automatic adjustments that pass through increases in wholesale charges for water, sewage treatment, or wastewater treatment or adjustments for inflation under certain circumstances. Existing law defines, among other terms, the term “water” for these purposes to mean any system of public improvements intended to provide for the production, storage, supply, treatment, or distribution of water from any source. This bill would provide that the fees or charges for property-related water service imposed or increased, as specified, may include the incrementally higher costs of water service due to specified factors, including the higher water usage demand of parcels. The bill would provide that the incrementally higher costs of water service associated with higher water usage demands, the maximum potential water use, or projected peak water usage may be allocated using any method that reasonably assesses the water service provider’s cost of serving those parcels that are increasing potential water usage demand, maximum potential water use, or projected peak water usage. The bill would declare that these provisions are declaratory of existing law. This bill contains other existing laws.	
<u>AB 2079</u>	<u>Bennett D</u>	Groundwater extraction: large-diameter, high-	4/16/2024-From committee chair, with author's	Existing law, the Sustainable Groundwater Management Act, requires all groundwater basins designated as high- or medium-priority basins by the Department of Water Resources to be managed under a groundwater	Water Board is the Sponsor

		<p>capacity water wells: permits.</p>	<p>amendments: Amend, and re-refer to Com. on W., P., & W. Read second time and amended.</p>	<p>sustainability plan or coordinated groundwater sustainability plans, except as specified. Existing law authorizes any local agency or combination of local agencies overlying a groundwater basin to decide to become a groundwater sustainability agency for that basin and imposes specified duties upon that agency or combination of agencies, as provided. Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to adopt a model water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment ordinance implementing certain standards for water well construction, maintenance, and abandonment and requires each county, city, or water agency, where appropriate, to adopt a water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment ordinance that meets or exceeds certain standards. Under existing law, if a county, city, or water agency, where appropriate, fails to adopt an ordinance establishing water well, cathodic protection well, and monitoring well drilling and abandonment standards, the model ordinance adopted by the state board is required to take effect, and is required to be enforced by the county or city and have the same force and effect as if adopted as a county or city ordinance. This bill would require a local enforcement agency, as defined, to perform specified activities at least 30 days before determining whether to approve a permit for a new large-diameter, high-capacity well, as defined. By imposing additional requirements on a local enforcement agency, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would require, upon notice, a groundwater sustainability agency with oversight for the area of the basin where the proposed large-diameter, high-capacity well is to be located to provide specified information to the local enforcement agency, including, but not limited to, the name of the applicable groundwater sustainability agency, the agency manager and contact information, and the applicable sustainable management criteria related to groundwater levels, including the groundwater level measurable objectives and minimum thresholds. The bill would require a local enforcement agency, before approving a permit for a large-diameter, high capacity well, to provide specified information to the applicant. The bill would prescribe certain standards a local enforcement agency would be required to follow in the approval or denial of the permit, including the location of the proposed large-diameter, high capacity well and specified geological and water supply considerations. The bill would provide exemptions for its provisions for specified water wells. The bill would provide that its provisions apply only to applications for permits for the construction, maintenance, abandonment, or destruction of water wells in basins identified in the</p>	<p>*ACWA opposed</p>
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				Department of Water Resources Bulletin 118. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	
<u>AB 2192</u>	<u>Carrillo,</u> <u>Juan D</u>	Public agencies: cost accounting standards.	3/19/2024-Re- referred to Com. on L. GOV.	Existing law, the Uniform Public Construction Cost Accounting Act, authorizes a public agency, whose governing board has by resolution elected, to become subject to uniform construction cost accounting procedures. Existing law provides for the development of cost accounting standards and an alternative method for the bidding of public works projects by public entities. The act defines “public project” to include, among other things, construction, reconstruction, erection, alteration, renovation, improvement, demolition, and repair work involving any publicly owned, leased, or operated facility. This bill would define “public project” to additionally include installations involving any publicly owned, leased, or operated facility. This bill contains other existing laws.	
<u>AB 2257</u>	<u>Wilson D</u>	Local government: property-related water and sewer fees and assessments: remedies.	3/21/2024-Re- referred to Com. on L. GOV.	The California Constitution specifies various requirements with respect to the levying of assessments and property-related fees and charges by a local agency, including notice, hearing, and protest procedures, depending on the character of the assessment, fee, or charge. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local jurisdictions to comply with these requirements. This bill would prohibit, if a local agency complies with specified procedures, a person or entity from bringing a judicial action or proceeding alleging noncompliance with the constitutional provisions for any new, increased, or extended fee or assessment, as defined, unless that person or entity has timely submitted to the local agency a written objection to that fee or assessment that specifies the grounds for alleging noncompliance, as specified. This bill would provide that local agency responses to the timely submitted written objections shall go to the weight of the evidence supporting the agency’s compliance with the substantive limitations on fees and assessments imposed by the constitutional provisions. The bill would also prohibit an independent cause of action as to the adequacy of the local agency’s responses. This bill would, if the local agency complies with the specified procedures, provide that in any judicial action or proceeding to review, invalidate, challenge, set aside, rescind, void, or annul the fee or assessment for failure to comply with the procedural and substantive requirements of specified constitutional provisions, provisions in the fee or assessment setting process, the court’s review is limited to a record of proceedings containing specified documents, except as otherwise provided. The bill would provide that this limitation does not preclude any civil action related to a local agency’s failure to	ACWA Sponsor **Taxpayer Associations Opposed Recommend: SUPPORT

				implement a fee or assessment in compliance with the manner adopted by the local agency. The bill would make related findings and declarations.	
<u>AB 2302</u>	<u>Addis D</u>	Open meetings: local agencies: teleconferences.	4/15/2024-Read second time. Ordered to third reading.	Existing law, the Ralph M. Brown Act, requires, with specified exceptions, that all meetings of a legislative body, as defined, of a local agency be open and public and that all persons be permitted to attend and participate. The act generally requires for teleconferencing that the legislative body of a local agency that elects to use teleconferencing post agendas at all teleconference locations, identify each teleconference location in the notice and agenda of the meeting or proceeding, and have each teleconference location be accessible to the public. Existing law also requires that, during the teleconference, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participate from locations within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction. The act provides an exemption to the jurisdictional requirement for health authorities, as defined. Existing law, until January 1, 2026, authorizes the legislative body of a local agency to use alternative teleconferencing in specified circumstances if, during the teleconference meeting, at least a quorum of the members of the legislative body participates in person from a singular physical location clearly identified on the agenda that is open to the public and situated within the boundaries of the territory over which the local agency exercises jurisdiction, and the legislative body complies with prescribed requirements. Existing law imposes prescribed restrictions on remote participation by a member under these alternative teleconferencing provisions, including establishing limits on the number of meetings a member may participate in solely by teleconference from a remote location, prohibiting such participation for a period of more than 3 consecutive months or 20% of the regular meetings for the local agency within a calendar year, or more than 2 meetings if the legislative body regularly meets fewer than 10 times per calendar year. This bill would revise those limits, instead prohibiting such participation for more than a specified number of meetings per year, based on how frequently the legislative body regularly meets. The bill, for the purpose of counting meetings attended by teleconference, would define a “meeting” as any number of meetings of the legislative body of a local agency that begin on the same calendar day. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	City of Pismo Beach (Sponsor) **ACWA and CMUA Support No opposition Recommend: SUPPORT
<u>AB 2501</u>	<u>Alvarez D</u>	Water quality control plans: donations and	4/10/2024-In committee: Set, first hearing. Referred to	Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the 9 California regional water quality control boards regulate water quality. Existing law requires each regional board to formulate and adopt water	City of San Diego (Sponsor)

		grants.	suspense file.	quality control plans for all areas within the region, as provided. Existing law establishes in the continuously appropriated State Water Quality Control Fund the continuously appropriated State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, which is administered by the state board. Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board on behalf of itself or a regional board, to accept donations of moneys from a permittee for the purpose of updating a water quality control plan. This bill would authorize the state board, on behalf of itself or a regional board, to accept moneys from donations, grants, or contributions, or through contractual agreements, from public agencies, foundations, or other not-for-profit entities for the purpose of planning, permitting, or providing technical support for projects of public benefit, as defined, within the state board's or regional board's jurisdiction. The bill would require all funds received to be deposited, and separately accounted for, in the State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account, for expenditure in accordance with the terms of the donation, grant, contribution, or contractual agreement. The bill would require the state board to provide notice, as specified, before accepting those moneys. Because the funds deposited would be a new source of funds in the continuously appropriated State Water Pollution Cleanup and Abatement Account within the continuously appropriated State Water Quality Control Fund, the bill would make an appropriation. This bill contains other existing laws.	No Opposition
AB 2561	McKinnor D	Local public employees: vacant positions.	3/19/2024-In committee: Hearing postponed by committee.	Existing law, the Meyers-Milias-Brown Act (act), authorizes local public employees, as defined, to form, join, and participate in the activities of employee organizations of their own choosing for the purpose of representation on matters of labor relations. The act prohibits a public agency from, among other things, imposing or threatening to impose reprisals on employees, discriminating or threatening to discriminate against employees, or otherwise interfering with specified employee rights guaranteed by the act. This bill would require each public agency with bargaining unit vacancy rates exceeding 10% for more than 90 days within the past 180 days to meet and confer with a representative of the recognized employee organization to produce, publish, and implement a plan consisting of specified components to fill all vacant positions within the subsequent 180 days. The bill would require the public agency to present this plan during a public hearing to the governing legislative body and to publish the plan on its internet website for public review for at least one year. By imposing new duties on local public agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. The bill would also include findings that changes proposed by this bill address a matter	Big Labor vs. Counties fight Recommend: OPPOSE

				of statewide concern.	
<u>AB 2592</u>	<u>Grayson D</u>	Local planning: housing elements: water and sewer services.	3/20/2024-Re-referred to Com. on H. & C.D.	The Planning and Zoning Law requires each city, county, or city and county to prepare and adopt a general plan for its jurisdiction that contains certain mandatory elements, including a housing element. Existing law requires a housing element to include an assessment of housing needs and an inventory of resources and constraints relevant to meeting those needs. That law also requires that the housing element adopted by the legislative body of the city, county, or city and county and any amendments made to that element be delivered to all public agencies or private entities that provide water or sewer services, as described, within the territory of the legislative body. Existing law requires each public agency or private entity providing water or sewer services to grant a priority for the provision of these services to proposed developments that include housing units affordable to lower income households. Existing law also requires a public agency or private entity providing water or sewer services to adopt written policies and procedures not later than July 1, 2006, and at least once every 5 years thereafter, with specific objective standards for provision of services, as described. This bill would instead require each public agency or private entity providing water or sewer services to grant a priority for the provision of these services to proposed housing developments, which the bill would define for these purposes to include both housing developments that include units sold or rented to lower income households, as provided in existing law as described above, and housing developments constructed pursuant to specified laws providing for ministerial approval of certain housing developments or subdivision maps. The bill would also update the compliance date to adopt written policies and procedures to July 1, 2025, and continue to require the adoption of those written policies and procedures at least once every 5 years thereafter.	
<u>AB 2947</u>	<u>Lackey R</u>	Water: turfgrass conversion.	4/9/2024-Re-referred to Com. on W., P., & W.	Existing law establishes the Department of Water Resources within the Natural Resources Agency and prescribes the powers and responsibilities of the department. The Water Conservation in Landscaping Act provides for a model water efficient landscape ordinance that is adopted and updated at least every 3 years by the department, unless the department makes a specified finding. This bill would prohibit the department, when it allocates funding for turf replacement programs, from excluding urban water suppliers' turfgrass conversion rebate programs if the rebate program requires the recipient of a rebate to achieve a net water savings and to use the most efficient turfgrass irrigation equipment, as provided. The bill would require an	

				urban water supplier that offers a turfgrass conversion rebate program using funds awarded by the department after January 1, 2025, to report annually to the department on the number of turfgrass conversions that are funded through the program and the estimated water savings from the program until the funds are exhausted.	
<u>SB 1072</u>	<u>Padilla D</u>	Local government: Proposition 218: remedies.	2/21/2024-Referred to Com. on L. GOV.	The California Constitution sets forth various requirements for the imposition of local taxes. The California Constitution excludes from classification as a tax assessments and property-related fees imposed in accordance with provisions of the California Constitution that establish requirements for those assessments and property-related fees. Under these requirements, an assessment is prohibited from being imposed on any parcel if it exceeds the reasonable cost of the proportional special benefit conferred on that parcel, and a fee or charge imposed on any parcel or person as an incident of property ownership is prohibited from exceeding the proportional cost of the service attributable to the parcel. Existing law, known as the Proposition 218 Omnibus Implementation Act, prescribes specific procedures and parameters for local compliance with the requirements of the California Constitution for assessments and property-related fees. This bill would require, if a property-related fee or charge creates revenues in excess of the local government's reasonable cost of providing the specific benefit or specific government service, that the excess revenues be used only to reduce the subsequently adopted and following property-related fee or charge. The bill would declare that this provision is declaratory of existing law. This bill contains other existing laws.	
<u>SB 1110</u>	<u>Ashby D</u>	Urban retail water suppliers: informational order: conservation order.	4/2/2024-Set for hearing April 23.	Existing law authorizes the State Water Resources Control Board, on and after January 1, 2024, to issue informational orders pertaining to water production, water use, and water conservation to an urban retail water supplier that does not meet its urban water use objective. Existing law requires the board to consider certain information in determining whether to issue an informational order. This bill would require the board to additionally consider lower cost actions the water supplier has implemented or will implement in order to help the water supplier achieve overall water supply resiliency in determining whether to issue an informational order. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	
<u>SB 1121</u>	<u>Grove R</u>	Recycled water: onsite treated nonpotable water systems: local	3/12/2024-April 17 set for first hearing canceled at the request of author.	Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board to establish uniform statewide recycling criteria for each varying type of use of recycled water where the use involves the protection of public health. Existing law requires the board, in consultation with the California	Most likely not moving

		jurisdiction permitting.	Set for hearing April 17.	Building Standards Commission and the Department of Housing and Community Development, to adopt regulations for risk-based water quality standards for the onsite treatment and reuse of nonpotable water, and requires a local jurisdiction that elects to establish a program for onsite treated nonpotable water systems to establish design criteria, permitting, cross-connection control, and enforcement procedures, as provided. This bill would require those local jurisdictions to ensure their permitting procedures require the approval of a permit for an onsite treated nonpotable water system within 60 days from the date the permit application is submitted if the application demonstrates that the project meets or exceeds the state board's water quality standards for the onsite treatment and reuse of nonpotable water for nonpotable uses in multifamily residential, commercial, and mixed-use buildings.	
<u>SB 1185</u>	<u>Niello R</u>	Water conservation: water use objectives.	4/4/2024-Set for hearing April 23.	Existing law requires all water suppliers to increase the efficient use of water. Existing law establishes various water use objectives and restrictions, including urban water use objectives. Existing law requires the State Water Resources Control Board, in coordination with the Department of Water Resources, to adopt long-term standards for the efficient use of water, including standards for, among other things, a volume for water loss, and requires the board, when adopting the standards, to consider policies relating to urban water use objectives and proposed efficiency standards' effects on local wastewater management, developed and natural parklands, and urban tree health. This bill would delete the requirement that the board adopt standards, for purposes of urban water use objectives, for water loss and would instead require the board to consider the policies relating to urban water use objectives and proposed efficiency standards' effects on water loss. The bill would also set forth standards, policies, and procedures relating to water use objectives, generally, including, among other things, a prohibition against any water use objective established by the board that causes a reduction of more than 20% when compared to a water supplier's actual water use in 2023 or that exceeds a water use standard recommended by the department. The bill would also authorize any amount of water to be used for a variance from a water use objective and would prohibit any required minimum amount of water for a variance. The bill would impose additional duties on the board, including requiring the board to develop a self-certification process for water suppliers for purposes of validating the amount of water in a variance, as provided.	
<u>SB 1188</u>	<u>Laird D</u>	Drinking water: technical, managerial, and	4/5/2024-Set for hearing April 17.	Existing law, the California Safe Drinking Water Act, imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties relating to providing a dependable, safe supply of drinking water.	Clean Water Action Support

		financial standards.		Existing law requires the state board to directly enforce the provisions of the act for all public water systems, except as specified. The act prohibits a person from operating a public water system unless the person first submits an application to the state board and receives a permit to operate the system, as specified. Existing law authorizes the state board to impose permit conditions, requirements for system improvements, technical, financial, or managerial requirements, and time schedules as it deems necessary to ensure a reliable and adequate supply of water at all times that is pure, wholesome, potable, and does not endanger the health of consumers. Existing law makes it a crime to knowingly make any false statement or representation in any application, record, report, or other document submitted, maintained, or used for purposes of compliance with the act. This bill would require the state board to develop and adopt minimum standards related to the technical, managerial, and financial capacity of public water systems with fewer than 10,000 service connections. The bill would require public water systems with fewer than 10,000 service connections to have the capacity to demonstrate compliance with those standards, as provided. This bill would prohibit the state board and the Department of Water Resources from granting or loaning state funding to a public water system that fails to comply with the bill unless the state board or department makes a finding regarding at least one of 3 specified conditions. The bill would authorize the state board to require a public water system subject to the minimum standards to show proof that it has the technical, managerial, and financial capacity to comply with the standards, including, but not limited to, annual reporting of information necessary and appropriate to monitor a public water system's current capacity status. Because knowingly making a false statement or representation in that report would be a crime under the California Safe Drinking Water Act, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program by expanding the scope of a crime.	CMUA Opposed Recommend: No Position
<u>SB 1210</u>	<u>Skinner D</u>	New housing construction: electrical, gas, sewer, and water service: service connection information.	4/10/2024-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on L. GOV.	Existing law vests the Public Utilities Commission with regulatory authority over public utilities, including electrical corporations, gas corporations, sewer system corporations, and water corporations, while local publicly owned utilities, including municipal utility districts, public utility districts, and irrigation districts, are under the direction of their governing boards. This bill would, for new housing construction, require the above-described utilities to publicly post on their internet websites (1) the amount of any charge issued for a service connection, capacity, or other point of connection charge by the housing unit's address, and (2) the schedule of fees for a service connection, capacity, or other point	Housing Action Coalition (Sponsor) and every YIMBY org Support AWCA, CMUA, SoCal Edison and water

				of connection charge, as specified. The bill would, for new housing construction, require each utility to ensure that its internet website allows an applicant for a service connection to, among other things, receive a reasonable estimate regarding when the utility will complete the applicant's service connection. To the extent that this bill imposes new requirements on certain local agencies, the bill would impose a state-mandated local program. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	agencies Opposed Recommend: No Position
<u>SB 1218</u>	<u>Newman D</u>	Water: emergency water supplies.	4/2/2024-Set for hearing April 23.	Existing law, the Urban Water Management Planning Act, requires every public and private urban water supplier that directly or indirectly provides water for municipal purposes to prepare and adopt an urban water management plan. The act requires an urban water management plan to include a water shortage contingency plan, as provided. This bill would declare that it is the established policy of the state to encourage and incentivize, but not mandate, the development of emergency water supplies, and to support their use during times of water shortage.	
<u>SB 1255</u>	<u>Durazo D</u>	Public water systems: needs analysis.	4/3/2024-Set for hearing April 17.	The California Safe Drinking Water Act provides for the operation of public water systems and imposes on the State Water Resources Control Board various responsibilities and duties relating to the regulation of drinking water to protect public health. Existing law establishes the Safe and Affordable Drinking Water Fund in the State Treasury to help water systems provide an adequate and affordable supply of safe drinking water in both the near and long terms. Existing law requires the state board to annually adopt a fund expenditure plan, as provided, and requires expenditures from the fund to be consistent with the fund expenditure plan. Existing law requires the state board to base the fund expenditure plan on data and analysis drawn from a specified drinking water needs assessment. This bill would require the state board to update a needs analysis of the state's public water systems to include an assessment, as specified, of the funds necessary to provide a 20% discount for low-income households served by community water systems with fewer than 3,000 service connections and for community water systems with fewer than 3,000 service connections to meet a specified affordability threshold on or before July 1, 2026, and on or before July 1 of every 3 years thereafter.	Enviros (Coastkeeper) support with no opposition
<u>SB 1330</u>	<u>Archuleta D</u>	Urban retail water supplier: water use.	4/2/2024-Set for hearing April 23.	Existing law requires the Department of Water Resources, in coordination with the State Water Resources Control Board, to conduct necessary studies and investigations, and recommend for adoption by the board appropriate variances for unique uses that can have a material effect on an urban retail water supplier's urban water use objective.	

				Existing law requires the department, in recommending variances, to also recommend a threshold of significance for each recommended variance. Existing law requires an urban retail water supplier to request and receive approval by the board for inclusion of a variance in calculating their water use objective. Existing law requires the board to post specified information on its internet website relating to variances, including a list of all urban retail water suppliers with approved variances. This bill would require the board to adopt variances recommended by the department for unique uses that can have a material effect on an urban retail water supplier's urban water use objective. The bill would provide that variances adopted by the board shall not be subject to a threshold of significance. The bill would require an urban retail water supplier to self-certify the amount of water included in its urban water use objective that is attributable to a variance. The bill would require the board to randomly audit a select number of variances each year to ensure the self-certifications are based on variances adopted by the board. The bill would delete the provision relating to posting specified information about variances on the board's internet website and the provision requiring an urban retail water supplier to request and receive approval by the board for inclusion of a variance in calculating their water use objective. This bill contains other related provisions and other existing laws.	
<u>SB 1373</u>	<u>Cortese D</u>	Water data dashboard.	4/11/2024-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-referred to Com. on N.R. & W.	Existing law imposes on the Department of Water Resources various duties with respect to water in the state. Existing law, the Open and Transparent Water Data Act, requires the department, in consultation with the California Water Quality Monitoring Council, the State Water Resources Control Board, and the Department of Fish and Wildlife, to create, operate, and maintain a statewide integrated water data platform that, among other things, integrates existing water and ecological data information from multiple databases and provides data on completed water transfers and exchanges. This bill would require the department, while seeking input from the California Water Data Consortium, as defined, to create a water data dashboard that is accessible through its internet website, as specified. The bill would include related findings and declarations.	
<u>SB 1390</u>	<u>Caballero D</u>	Groundwater recharge: floodflows: diversion.	4/16/2024-From committee with author's amendments. Read second time and amended. Re-	Existing law declares that all water within the state is the property of the people of the state, but the right to the use of the water may be acquired by appropriation in the manner provided by law. Existing law requires the appropriation to be for some useful or beneficial purpose. Existing law provides, however, that the diversion of floodflows for groundwater recharge does not require an appropriative water right if certain	

			referred to Com. on N.R. & W.	<p>conditions are met, including that a local or regional agency that has adopted a local plan of flood control or has considered flood risks as part of its most recently adopted general plan has given notice, as provided, of imminent risk of flooding and inundation of lands, roads, or structures. Existing law also requires the person or entity making the diversion for groundwater recharge purposes to file with the State Water Resources Control Board a final report 15 days after the diversions cease. These requirements apply to diversions commenced before January 1, 2029. This bill would extend the operation of these requirements to diversions commenced before June 1, 2032. The bill would revise, recast, and expand the conditions that are required to be met for the diversion of flood waters for groundwater recharge that do not require an appropriative water right. The bill would require that a local or regional agency take specified actions, including making a declaration that diversion of floodflows for groundwater recharge from a delineated stretch of waterway within its jurisdiction is in accordance with one of certain enumerated plans relating to flood control or flood risk, as specified, or a county emergency operations plan. The bill would require diversions to cease no later than 90 days after commencing, unless they are renewed, and would authorize a local or regional agency to renew a diversion for an additional 30 days by notifying the board of its intention to continue diverting 15 days before its expiration. The bill would also require the final report to be made by an entity and contain information, if applicable, describing the forecasting models used to determine a likely imminent escape of surface water and a description of the methodology used to determine the abatement of flood conditions. The bill would require that temporary floodflow diversions be consistent with the most junior priority relative to all water rights holders in the watershed and prohibit those diversions from injuring a prior water rights holder.</p>	
<u>SB 1440</u>	<u>Laird D</u>	Water quality: stormwater: reporting.	4/5/2024-Set for hearing April 24.	<p>Under existing law, the State Water Resources Control Board and the California regional water quality control boards prescribe waste discharge requirements for the discharge of stormwater in accordance with the national pollutant discharge elimination system permit program and the Porter-Cologne Water Quality Control Act. Existing law requires the regional boards to undertake reasonable efforts to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained an appropriate permit. Existing law requires the state board, on or before December 31, to annually prepare a report that includes, among other things, a list of persons notified of their duty to comply with applicable stormwater permits and a description of the responses received to those</p>	Recommend: No Position

				notifications. This bill would require the annual report to additionally include a description of reasonable efforts undertaken by regional boards to identify dischargers of stormwater that have not obtained coverage under an appropriate stormwater permit. The bill would require the state board to submit the report to the Legislature on or before December 31 of each year until December 31, 2029, and would authorize the report to include a strategy or recommendation on actions to increase discharger coverage, as specified.	
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Total Measures: 21

Total Tracking Forms: 21

LEGISLATIVE ADVOCACY COMMITTEE

ITEM: DISCUSSION ITEM

4. STATUS OF REQUEST APPLICATIONS FOR FY 2024-25 EARMARKS

Meeting Date: April 24, 2024 **Budgeted:** N/A

From: David J. Stoldt,
General Manager **Program/
Line Item No.:** N/A

Prepared By: David J. Stoldt **Cost Estimate:** N/A

General Counsel Review: N/A

Committee Recommendation: N/A

CEQA Compliance: This action does not constitute a project as defined by the California Environmental Quality Act Guidelines Section 15378.

SUMMARY: The District has made two requests for FY 2024-25 Federal Earmarks: The Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project and the Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Program. The Seaside Well is made under the EPA's State and Tribal Assistance Grants (STAG) program and the Stormwater program is under the District's 2022 Water Resource Development Act (WRDA) authorization for Army Corps Section 219 Environmental Infrastructure program.

To date, the requests have only been made through the California Senate delegation, but will be made to Congressman Panetta's office when that application window is announced.

Exhibit 4-A hereto shows the requests, applications, and letters of support.

EXHIBIT

4-A Letters and Filed Applications for FY 2025 Federal Earmarks

EXHIBIT 4-A



March 28, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Laphonza Butler
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District (MPWMD), I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process: the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project and the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project. These initiatives are critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

For the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project, MPWMD requests the allocation of \$875,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill. MPWMD received an authorization under Section 219 Environmental Infrastructure in the 2022 WRDA bill. The requested funds will be used to undertake a Project Partnership Agreement, secure construction funds for completion of the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion, and complete design of up to six additional discrete, complete elements of work that will help minimize stormwater discharges by consolidating catchment areas and diverting to the Pure Water Monterey advanced water purification project. This strategic intervention not only addresses water scarcity by augmenting our region's water supply, but also mitigates the risk of flooding, improves habitat conditions, and enhances water quality in a National Marine Sanctuary. The project is designed to capture and recycle stormwater, thereby generating significant environmental and community benefits, including habitat improvements and enhanced drainage for disadvantaged communities.

MPWMD also requests \$3,200,000 for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project, potentially through the EPA's STAG program, which will be used to design and construct a backup potable water well for the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS). The SMWS serves 2,947 residents (800 connections). Approximately half the customers are identified by the California Department of Water Resources as a Census Block Group Disadvantaged Community with median income of \$39,750. The system has one active potable water well that is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The State Division of Drinking Water requires

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that any community water system using only groundwater shall have a minimum of two approved sources. SMWS does not have a second drinking water well. Historically, when SMWS had a problem with its potable well, it obtained water from California American Water (Cal-Am) through an emergency intertie. In May 2023, Cal-Am indicated that it cannot guarantee water to SMWS because Cal-Am may not have capacity and its first obligation is to provide water to its own customers. SMWS has no reliable backup water supply for its customers. Design of the new well needs to be completed. A test well will need to be drilled in advance of proceeding with ordering and installation of the well pump. This project will help guarantee an uninterrupted supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for the residents of Seaside, thereby safeguarding public health and community welfare.

Both projects have garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the City of Seaside, the City of Monterey, and Monterey One Water, underscoring their significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship. Furthermore, these initiatives are especially crucial for serving our low- and moderate-income residents, ensuring equitable access to essential resources.

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,



David J. Stoldt

General Manager

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District



Sen. Butler Fiscal Year 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (Earmark)

Requests (Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project)

Name & Contact Info	Mailing Address	Permanent Address
Christopher Cummins 2363723 Work: 2022565537 ccummins@tfgnet.com	1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW WASHINGTON, D.C. DC 20006	1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW WASHINGTON, D.C. DC 20006

* indicates a required field.

Section 1. Funding Request

PLEASE READ: Please refer to the FY 2024 subcommittee guidance ([linked here](#)) carefully to ensure you include all required information in your application.

For information on congressionally directed spending requests, please [click here](#). If you have further questions, please contact Appropriations_Butler@butler.senate.gov.

1. Name of Proposal *

Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project

2. Submitting Organization *

Do not use abbreviations. Write out full name of city, county, or non-profit (e.g. County of San Francisco, City of San Jose, The Non-Profit Organization).

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

3. Is the Organization a Government or Not-For-Profit Entity? *

NOTE: For-Profits Are **NOT** Eligible for Congressionally Directed Spending.

Yes

4. Provide a link to the organization's website. *

If applicable. If not, briefly describe the organization.

<https://www.mpwmd.net/>

5. Tax Identification Number *

If applicable. If not, write "N/A".

94-2156702

6. Specific Location in California *

Do not use acronyms. Use applicable city name and state (e.g. Fairfield, California).

Monterey County

7. Description of Project *

Briefly describe the project.

The Monterey Peninsula stormwater strategy involves combining stormwater catchments to minimize the number of discharges in order to create fewer and more manageable stormwater discharges and generate additional water supply for the region.

8. Congressionally Directed Spending Request *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

875000

9. Total Cost of the Project *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

Please include the total cost of the project, including any federal and/or non-federal costs.

650000

10. Other Funding Sources *

Will the project receive funding from other sources, such as bonds, federal grants, the state of California, private entities, etc.? If so, please provide the dollar amount and explain the source of funding.

To date, the Oliver Street Stormwater Diversion project has secured \$725,000 (District grant of \$25,000; State Department of Water Resources grant of \$500,000; \$200,000 local funding).

11. Detailed Project Budget *

What is the total project budget? Detail exactly how requested CDS funds will be spent as well as non-CDS funding. Provide as many details as possible (e.g. \$500,000 for construction materials, \$200,000 for construction labor, etc.).

Oliver Street Stormwater Diversion - The project would divert flows from Monterey's downtown tunnel and Oliver Street storm drain gravity pipe to the sanitary sewer for recycling instead of discharging it untreated into Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. A flow diversion structure will redirect dry weather flows from a 60-inch storm drain system on Oliver Street to a 24-inch sanitary sewer main behind the Custom House Museum via a new pipe. The new pipe will be located in the right-of-way along Oliver Street and convey flows northeast to connect with the sanitary sewer main by gravity. The project would remove dry weather flows that are currently discharged untreated to Monterey Bay, thereby partially restoring natural drainage patterns and treating any urban pollutants associated with the diverted flows. The project is estimated to achieve from 10 to 20 acre-feet per year (AFY) of water supply from the approximately 150-acre tributary drainage area.

Cost: Seeking additional construction assistance of \$300,000. To date, the project has secured \$725,000 (District grant of \$25,000; State Department of Water Resources grant of \$500,000; \$200,000 local funding)

Feasibility and Design of Other Diversion and Recycling Projects

City of Monterey Coast Guard Pier Diversion: Runoff from the Coast Guard Pier will be diverted to the water reclamation plant for recycling. Storage may be required as part of the project.

City of Monterey San Carlos Beach Diversion Storage: Underground storage could be constructed below the lawns next to San Carlos Beach. The Reeside wastewater pump station is adjacent to the lawns and could convey stored water to the water reclamation plant for recycling.

City of Seaside Laguna Grande Wells' Diversion: The City of Seaside owns two wells, Laguna Grande Park and one near Chili's Grill. The Chili's well is artesian and was capped due to high sulfur. The Laguna Grande well is used for irrigation. Neither well provides potable water. The well water could be pumped to the sanitary sewer in the summer when source water is most needed for recycling. Wells could be pumped water is most needed for recycling. Wells could be pumped at night when sewer flows and power cost is lower.

City of Seaside Stormwater Capture near Echo Avenue in Seaside: Urban surface water runoff would be diverted to underground infiltration chambers. Diversion to underground storage. Water would infiltrate into the groundwater basin.

City of Del Rey Oaks Stormwater Capture: The proposed Del Rey Oaks Urban Diversion Project consists of two sites: Natural springs located on Rosita Road and Calle de Oaks that have been observed to maintain continuous flow throughout the year, including during recent drought years. Rosita Road flow currently drains from a natural spring, down the curb to a pipe, and into Canyon Del Rey Creek. Similarly, the Calle de Oaks spring is diverted through a pipe and deposited into the municipal separate storm sewer system, where it is directed to Canyon Del Rey Creek. A sanitary sewer line runs through the center of both Rosita Road and Calle de Oaks. The project envisions depositing the flow directly into the sanitary sewer line to be fed into the Pure Water Monterey project during the dry season and between storms throughout the wet season.

Naval Postgraduate School Del Monte Lake Stormwater: Stormwater flows from the Del Monte Lake to the ocean. Prior to storms, the top 4 feet of the lake could be pumped to the Pure Water Monterey project. With a surface area of

11 acres, approximately 44 AF could be diverted. Diversion could be available from November to March when the Monterey Pines Golf Club does not require water from Del Monte Lake. There have been no observed migratory fish nor aquatic species. There is an existing wastewater pump station in the proximity.

Cost: Seeking design assistance of \$350,000.

12. Priority Ranking of Proposal (if multiple proposals are being submitted) *

If only one proposal is being submitted, please enter 1. Rank the priority out of ALL subcommittees. For example, do not give 1 priority ranking in Energy and Water, 1 priority for Transportation, etc.

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13. Was This Request Submitted To Another Member of the California Delegation? *

Yes

13.1 Which office(s)?

Senator Alex Padilla, District 19 Jimmy Panetta,

14. Which state office does this request fall under? ***San Francisco**

The following counties are served by the San Francisco office: Alameda, Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba.

Fresno

The following counties are served by the Fresno office: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare, Tuolumne.

Los Angeles

The following counties are served by the Los Angeles office: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura.

San Diego

The following counties are served by the San Diego office: Imperial, San Diego.

San Francisco Office

15. County in California *

Monterey County,

Section 2. Needs Statement**1. Needs statement ***

Please explain why you are requesting Congressionally Directed Spending for this project.

Neither the District nor its partners have the funds available to complete these important projects, which will generate multiple benefits for the region, including additional water supply, habitat improvements, water quality benefits, and drainage benefits for a disadvantaged community.

2. Description of importance to the local community and/or State of California. *

The Monterey Peninsula is a water-short area subject to severe flooding in wet weather events. The project will help better manage stormwater and generate a new raw water supply for the Monterey One Water water recycling project, which will generate an important new source of potable water for the communities of Seaside and Monterey.

3. List any entities or organizations partnering in or supporting the project. *

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, Monterey One Water, City of Seaside, City of Monterey.

4. Does this project primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons or communities? *

Yes

4.1 Please include relevant data on how this project primarily benefits low- and moderate-income persons or communities.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will follow up with a detailed map of the project's impact on disadvantaged communities.

Section 3. Funding History**1. Has this project been submitted to a Member of Congress in previous fiscal years? ***

No

1.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.

No answer.

2. Has this project received past Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

2.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.

No answer.

3. Is this a one-time request for Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

4. Is additional federal funding required beyond the amount requested in this submission? *

Yes

5. When and how will the project become fully funded? *

This request will fully complete these stand-alone, functional increments of work.

Section 4. Primary Point of Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for the primary point of contact of this request.

1. Primary Point of Contact Name for this Request *

Roger Gwinn

2. Title *

TFG

3. Address Line 1 *

1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

4. Address Line 2

Suite 700

5. City *

Washington

6. State *

D.C.

7. Zip code *

20006

8. Phone Number *

2022555759

9. Email Address *

rgwinn@tfgnet.com

Section 5. Point of Contact Information for the Recipient Organization

Please provide the contact information for the recipient organization (note: this should not be a lobbyist or third party).

1. Name of Recipient Organization *

Legal grantee name

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

2. Point of Contact Name for Recipient Organization *

David J. Stoldt

3. Title *

General Manager, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

4. Address Line 1 *

5 Harris Court

5. Address Line 2

Building G

6. City *

Monterey

7. State *

California

8. Zip code *

93940

9. Phone Number *

508-954-8414

10. Email Address *

dstoldt@mpwmd.net

Section 6. Bill and Account Specific Information

PLEASE READ: For information on subcommittee guidance, and eligible agencies and accounts, please [click here.](#)

1. Have you reviewed the latest requirements and reforms for Congressionally Directed Spending? *

The link to the latest requirements and reforms is available [here.](#)

Yes

2. Have you reviewed the subcommittee guidance for CDS requests? *

The link to the subcommittee guidance for CDS requests is available [here.](#)

Yes

BILL/ACCOUNT: You must select an appropriations bill and account for which your CDS project is eligible. Please refer to the list of appropriations bills/accounts [listed here.](#) If you are unsure, select the bill and account that you believe best matches your project.

3. Is this proposal for funds available in the Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration and Rural Development bill? *

No

3.1 Please identify the account:*No answer.***4. Is this proposal for funds available in the Commerce, Justice, Science bill? ***

No

4.1 Please identify the account:*No answer.***5. Is this proposal for funds available in the Energy & Water Development bill? ***

Yes

5.1 Please identify the account:

Corps of Engineers: Construction

6. Is this proposal for funds available in the Financial Services and General Government bill? *

No

6.1 Please identify the account:*No answer.***7. Is this proposal for funds available in the Homeland Security bill? ***

No

7.1 Please identify the account:*No answer.***8. Is this proposal for funds available in the Interior, Environment bill? ***

No

8.1 Please identify the account:*No answer.***8.2 Additional required information. Please answer all of the questions in the order listed below to the best of your ability.**

If a question is not applicable, write "N/A."

1. What is the project purpose, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?
2. Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?
3. Is the preliminary planning and engineering design completed for this project?
4. When will this project be ready to proceed to construction?
5. What is the total estimated cost of the project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?
6. What is the amount requested for the project?
7. Please list any funding received from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others)?
8. Does the community have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20% or more?
9. What are the anticipated non-federal sources of funding for this project?

For WWI State and Local Projects, is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?

For WWI State and Local Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q1) is NO, is the project eligible under SRF guidelines?

For WWI Tribal Projects, is the project on the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System list?

For WWI Tribal Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q3) is NO, is the project eligible under the Criteria for the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program?

For HPE, if the request is for a property, does the property meet the HPF program requirements of being listed, at the appropriate level, for the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark individually or as contributing to an historic district?

For USFS State and Private Forestry (SPF), is this project part of or contribute to the state's Forest Action Plan?

For Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON), is the project on the relevant list provided by the administration?

No answer.

9. Is this proposal for funds available in the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education bill? *

No

9.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

10. Is this proposal for funds available in the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs bill? *

No

10.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

10.2 MilConVA - additional information:

Please answer all of the following questions to the best of your ability. If you do not know, write "N/A".

1. Does this project appear on the Future Years Defense Program (FYDP) list?
2. Does this project on the Unfunded Requirements/Priorities List (URF/URL)?
3. Does this project have a DD1391?
4. Has the project reached the 35% design milestone?
5. Is this project previously authorized or has it been submitted to the Senate Armed Services Committee for consideration?
6. If this project was funded in Fiscal Year 2023, please provide the amount.

No answer.

11. Is this proposal for funds available in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development bill? *

No

11.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

11.2 THUD - What is the total cost of the project?

No answer.

11.3 THUD - Airports

For airport requests, provide the NPIAS code for the airport.

No answer.

11.4 THUD - Transit requests

For transit requests, you must provide the name of the transit agency recipient or subrecipient, a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project, and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.5 THUD - Highway (HIP) requests

You must provide a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project.

Detail the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.6 THUD - Rail (CRISI) requests

You must provide a link to the State Rail Plan that includes the requested project and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the State Rail Plan.

No answer.


11.7 THUD - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

You must detail the current status of the project, a description of all other sources of funding contributing to the total cost of the project, and the status of the planning and environmental review work. In addition, include relevant data on how activities or projects benefit primarily low- and moderate-income persons or communities to meet program requirements.

You must include a link to the project website if available or a link to the HUD five year Consolidated Plan or Annual Action Plan if the project is included or complements planned or current projects within these required plans.

No answer.

12. Additional information

Please include any additional information required based on the Fiscal Year 2024 subcommittee guidance, [found here.](#) 

No answer.



Sen. Butler Fiscal Year 2025 Congressionally Directed Spending (Earmark)

Requests (Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project)

Name & Contact Info	Mailing Address	Permanent Address
Christopher Cummins 2363723 Work: 2022565537 ccummins@tfgnet.com	1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW WASHINGTON, D.C. DC 20006	1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW WASHINGTON, D.C. DC 20006

* indicates a required field.

Section 1. Funding Request

PLEASE READ: Please refer to the FY 2024 subcommittee guidance ([linked here](#)) carefully to ensure you include all required information in your application.

For information on congressionally directed spending requests, please [click here](#). If you have further questions, please contact Appropriations_Butler@butler.senate.gov.

1. Name of Proposal *

Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project

2. Submitting Organization *

Do not use abbreviations. Write out full name of city, county, or non-profit (e.g. County of San Francisco, City of San Jose, The Non-Profit Organization).

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

3. Is the Organization a Government or Not-For-Profit Entity? *

NOTE: For-Profits Are **NOT** Eligible for Congressionally Directed Spending.

Yes

4. Provide a link to the organization's website. *

If applicable. If not, briefly describe the organization.

<https://www.mpwmd.net/>

5. Tax Identification Number *

If applicable. If not, write "N/A".

94-2156702

6. Specific Location in California *

Do not use acronyms. Use applicable city name and state (e.g. Fairfield, California).

Monterey County

7. Description of Project *

Briefly describe the project.

In order to ensure an adequate supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for residents, the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) must design and construct a backup potable water well to their sole water supply well.

8. Congressionally Directed Spending Request *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

3200000

9. Total Cost of the Project *

Dollar amount. Do not include cents. If requesting \$1 million, write 1000000.

Please include the total cost of the project, including any federal and/or non-federal costs.

4000000

10. Other Funding Sources *

Will the project receive funding from other sources, such as bonds, federal grants, the state of California, private entities, etc.? If so, please provide the dollar amount and explain the source of funding.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will address the non-federal cost-share with funds available from within the district.

11. Detailed Project Budget *

What is the total project budget? Detail exactly how requested CDS funds will be spent as well as non-CDS funding. Provide as many details as possible (e.g. \$500,000 for construction materials, \$200,000 for construction labor, etc.).

The amount Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is requesting for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project is \$3,200,000. \$4,000,000 is the total project cost.

12. Priority Ranking of Proposal (if multiple proposals are being submitted) *

If only one proposal is being submitted, please enter 1. Rank the priority out of ALL subcommittees. For example, do not give 1 priority ranking in Energy and Water, 1 priority for Transportation, etc.

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13. Was This Request Submitted To Another Member of the California Delegation? *

Yes

13.1 Which office(s)?

Senator Alex Padilla, District 19 Jimmy Panetta,

14. Which state office does this request fall under? ***San Francisco**

The following counties are served by the San Francisco office: Alameda, Butte, Colusa, Contra Costa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Marin, Mendocino, Modoc, Monterey, Napa, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Benito, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Solano, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba.

Fresno

The following counties are served by the Fresno office: Alpine, Amador, Calaveras, Fresno, Imperial, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare, Tuolumne.

Los Angeles

The following counties are served by the Los Angeles office: Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura.

San Diego

The following counties are served by the San Diego office: Imperial, San Diego.

San Francisco Office

15. County in California *

Monterey County,

Section 2. Needs Statement**1. Needs statement ***

Please explain why you are requesting Congressionally Directed Spending for this project.

Historically, when the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) had a problem with its potable well, it obtained water from California American Water (Cal-Am) through an emergency intertie. In May 2023, Cal-Am indicated that it cannot guarantee water to SMWS because Cal-Am may not have capacity and its first obligation is to provide water to its own customers. SMWS has no reliable backup water supply for its customers.

2. Description of importance to the local community and/or State of California. *

The Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) serves 2,947 residents and has one active potable water well. The well is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The State Division of Drinking Water requires that any community water system using only groundwater shall have a minimum of two approved sources. SMWS does not have a second drinking water well.

3. List any entities or organizations partnering in or supporting the project. *

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, Monterey One Water, City of Seaside.

4. Does this project primarily benefit low- and moderate-income persons or communities? *

Yes

4.1 Please include relevant data on how this project primarily benefits low- and moderate-income persons or communities.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will provide a detailed map of the impact of the project on disadvantaged communities.

Section 3. Funding History

1. Has this project been submitted to a Member of Congress in previous fiscal years? *

No

1.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.*No answer.***2. Has this project received past Congressionally Directed Spending? ***

No

2.1 Please identify the fiscal year and project name.*No answer.***3. Is this a one-time request for Congressionally Directed Spending? ***

Yes

4. Is additional federal funding required beyond the amount requested in this submission? *

Yes

5. When and how will the project become fully funded? *

This request will fully complete these stand-alone, functional, increments of work.

Section 4. Primary Point of Contact Information

Please provide the contact information for the primary point of contact of this request.

1. Primary Point of Contact Name for this Request *

Roger Gwinn

2. Title *

Washington Representative

3. Address Line 1 *

1901 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

4. Address Line 2

Suite 700

5. City *

WASHINGTON, D.C.

6. State *

DC

7. Zip code *

20006

8. Phone Number *

2022555759

9. Email Address *

rgwinn@tfgnet.com

Section 5. Point of Contact Information for the Recipient Organization

Please provide the contact information for the recipient organization (note: this should not be a lobbyist or third party).

1. Name of Recipient Organization *

Legal grantee name

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

2. Point of Contact Name for Recipient Organization *

David J. Stoldt

3. Title *

General Manager, Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

4. Address Line 1 *

5 Harris Court

5. Address Line 2

Building G

6. City *

Monterey

7. State *

California

8. Zip code *

93940

9. Phone Number *

508-954-8414

10. Email Address *

dstoldt@mpwmd.net

Section 6. Bill and Account Specific Information

PLEASE READ: For information on subcommittee guidance, and eligible agencies and accounts, please [click here.](#)

1. Have you reviewed the latest requirements and reforms for Congressionally Directed Spending? *The link to the latest requirements and reforms is available [here.](#)

Yes

2. Have you reviewed the subcommittee guidance for CDS requests? *The link to the subcommittee guidance for CDS requests is available [here.](#)

Yes

BILL/ACCOUNT: You must select an appropriations bill and account for which your CDS project is eligible. Please refer to the list of appropriations bills/accounts [listed here](#). If you are unsure, select the bill and account that you believe best matches your project.

3. Is this proposal for funds available in the Agriculture, Food and Drug Administration and Rural Development bill? *

No

3.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

4. Is this proposal for funds available in the Commerce, Justice, Science bill? *

No

4.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

5. Is this proposal for funds available in the Energy & Water Development bill? *

No

5.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

6. Is this proposal for funds available in the Financial Services and General Government bill? *

No

6.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

7. Is this proposal for funds available in the Homeland Security bill? *

No

7.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

8. Is this proposal for funds available in the Interior, Environment bill? *

Yes

8.1 Please identify the account:

EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, STAG Infrastructure Grants

8.2 Additional required information. Please answer all of the questions in the order listed below to the best of your ability.

If a question is not applicable, write "N/A."

1. What is the project purpose, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?
2. Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?
3. Is the preliminary planning and engineering design completed for this project?
4. When will this project be ready to proceed to construction?
5. What is the total estimated cost of the project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?
6. What is the amount requested for the project?
7. Please list any funding received from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others)?
8. Does the community have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20% or more?
9. What are the anticipated non-federal sources of funding for this project?

For WWI State and Local Projects, is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?

For WWI State and Local Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q1) is NO, is the project eligible under SRF guidelines?

For WWI Tribal Projects, is the project on the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System list?

For WWI Tribal Projects, if the answer to the above question (Q3) is NO, is the project eligible under the Criteria for the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program?

For HPE, if the request is for a property, does the property meet the HPF program requirements of being listed, at the appropriate level, for the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark individually or as contributing to an historic district?

For USFS State and Private Forestry (SPF), is this project part of or contribute to the state's Forest Action Plan?

For Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON), is the project on the relevant list provided by the administration?

1. Project purpose - **Drinking water.**
2. The request is seeking funding for **design and construction.**
3. Funding would assist in the design portion of this request.
4. The project construction is ready following the design phase of the project.
5. Estimated total cost - \$4,000,000
6. Amount requested - \$3,200,000
7. N/A
8. The district can follow up with a plan outlining coverage of 20 percent match.
9. Monterey Peninsula Water Management District plans to get the remaining \$800,000 from other sources.

9. Is this proposal for funds available in the Labor, Health and Human Services and Education bill? *

No

9.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

10. Is this proposal for funds available in the Military Construction and Veterans Affairs bill? *

No

10.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

10.2 MilConVA - additional information:

Please answer all of the following questions to the best of your ability. If you do not know, write "N/A".

1. Does this project appear on the Future Years Defense Program (FYDP) list?
2. Does this project on the Unfunded Requirements/Priorities List (URF/URL)?
3. Does this project have a DD1391?
4. Has the project reached the 35% design milestone?
5. Is this project previously authorized or has it been submitted to the Senate Armed Services Committee for consideration?
6. If this project was funded in Fiscal Year 2023, please provide the amount.

No answer.

11. Is this proposal for funds available in the Transportation, Housing and Urban Development bill? *

No

11.1 Please identify the account:

No answer.

11.2 THUD - What is the total cost of the project?

No answer.

11.3 THUD - Airports

For airport requests, provide the NPIAS code for the airport.

No answer.

11.4 THUD - Transit requests

For transit requests, you must provide the name of the transit agency recipient or subrecipient, a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project, and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.5 THUD - Highway (HIP) requests

You must provide a link to the Statewide Transportation Improvement Plan (STIP) or Transportation Improvement Plan (TIP) that includes the requested project.

Detail the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the STIP or TIP.

No answer.

11.6 THUD - Rail (CRISI) requests

You must provide a link to the State Rail Plan that includes the requested project and the total cost of the project, which should be consistent with the total cost of the project in the State Rail Plan.

No answer.


11.7 THUD - Economic Development Initiatives (EDI)

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No answer.

12. Additional information

Please include any additional information required based on the Fiscal Year 2024 subcommittee guidance, [found here.](#) 

No answer.



Senator Padilla FY25 Energy and Water Congressionally Directed Spending

Form (Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project)

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* indicates a required field.

Section 1. Requestor Information

1. Requesting Entity *

The name of the local government or organization making the request. Do not use acronyms or abbreviations. Incorporated cities should begin with "City of" and counties should begin with "County of."

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

2. Requesting Individual(s) *

The name of the person making the request, e.g. the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, Director, President, etc. Example: Mayor Jane Doe

David J. Stoldt

3. Priority Number: #X of Y *

Multiple requests from the same entity must be ranked in priority order across all appropriations bills. For example, we need to know what your entity's number one priority project is in FY25, not the number one in Agriculture, or the number one in Transportation, etc.

1

4. Project Name *

The project or program to be funded.

Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project

5. Grantee Legal Name *

The name of the local government or organization to receive funding.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

6. Requesting Entity Address *

The mailing address of the local government or organization to receive funding.

Please use following format:

Street Address

City, CA Zip Code

5 Harris Court, Building G

Monterey, CA, 93940

7. Employer Identification Number (EIN) *

The Employer Identification Number, also known as a Federal Tax Identification Number, assigned to the requesting entity by the IRS. **Please provide in XX-XXXXXXX format.** This will only be used for verification of eligibility of entity to receive funding and will not be published.

94-2156702

8. Grantee Point of Contact - Name *

The name of a point of contact with the grantee who is authorized to complete the final grant agreement should this project be funded. **This CANNOT be a lobbyist or consultant.**

David J. Stoldt

9. Grantee Point of Contact - Phone *

This should be the best phone number for the point of contact with the grantee who is authorized to complete the grant agreement should this project be funded. **This CANNOT be a lobbyist or consultant.**

508-954-8414

10. Grantee Point of Contact - Email *

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dstoldt@mpwmd.net

11. Which Sen. Padilla State Field Office does this project request fall under? *

San Francisco Office: The following counties are served by the San Francisco office: Alameda, Contra Costa, Marin, Napa, San Francisco, San Mateo, Santa Clara, Santa Cruz, Solano.

Fresno Office: The following counties are served by the Fresno office: Fresno, Inyo, Kern, Kings, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Mono, Monterey, San Benito, San Luis Obispo, Stanislaus, Tulare, Tuolumne.

Los Angeles Office: The following counties are served by the Los Angeles office: Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura.

San Diego Office: The following counties are served by the San Diego office: Imperial, Riverside, San Diego.

Sacramento Office: The following counties are served by the Sacramento office: Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba.

Fresno Office

12. Which county is this project located in? *

You may select multiple if the project is located in multiple counties (this is a rare occurrence).

Monterey,

Section 2. Project Information**1. Within which account in the Energy and Water bill are you applying for funding? ***

Corps of Engineers: Construction

2. Amount Requested *

Write out the numeral (i.e. \$1,000,000)

\$875,000

3. Total Project Cost *

Write out the numeral (i.e. \$1,000,000)

\$875,000

4. What percentage of the project will this funding cover? *

Ex: 30%

100%

5. Brief Summary of Project *

Please provide a concise (1-2 sentences max) description of the project and what the requested funding would be used for.

For example: This funding will support the repair and replacement of aging sewer lines in the City of Cityville.

The Monterey Peninsula stormwater strategy involves combining stormwater catchments to minimize the number of discharges in order to create fewer and more manageable stormwater discharges and generate additional water supply for the region.

6. Description of Project *

This description **must** provide:

1. A brief summary of the project including its purpose, goals, history, and current status, as well as the justification for the project (i.e., why funding is in the interest of taxpayers). The description should also state who/how many people the project will serve and what performance standards will be used to measure whether this project has achieved its objectives.
2. A detailed budget breakdown of how the requested federal funding will be spent (i.e., \$ -x- for salaries; \$ -x- for programming; \$ -x- for equipment; etc.). Please be specific when describing the activities and expenditures. The most common issue in determining if a project is eligible for funding is a lack of specific information on what the funding will be used for.

This description must be complete on its own and may not simply incorporate supporting materials by reference.

Oliver Street Stormwater Diversion - The project would divert flows from Monterey's downtown tunnel and Oliver Street storm drain gravity pipe to the sanitary sewer for recycling instead of discharging it untreated into Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. A flow diversion structure will redirect dry weather flows from a 60-inch storm drain system on Oliver Street to a 24-inch sanitary sewer main behind the Custom House Museum via a new pipe. The new pipe will be located in the right-of-way along Oliver Street and convey flows northeast to connect with the sanitary sewer main by gravity. The project would remove dry weather flows that are currently discharged untreated to Monterey Bay, thereby partially restoring natural drainage patterns and treating any urban pollutants associated with the diverted flows. The project is estimated to achieve from 10 to 20 acre-feet per year (AFY) of water supply from the approximately 150-acre tributary drainage area.

Cost: Seeking additional construction assistance of \$300,000. To date, the project has secured \$725,000 (District grant of \$25,000; State Department of Water Resources grant of \$500,000; \$200,000 local funding)

Feasibility and Design of Other Diversion and Recycling Projects

City of Monterey Coast Guard Pier Diversion: Runoff from the Coast Guard Pier will be diverted to the water reclamation plant for recycling. Storage may be required as part of the project.

City of Monterey San Carlos Beach Diversion Storage: Underground storage could be constructed below the lawns next to San Carlos Beach. The Reeside wastewater pump station is adjacent to the lawns and could convey stored water to the water reclamation plant for recycling.

City of Seaside Laguna Grande Wells' Diversion: The City of Seaside owns two wells, Laguna Grande Park and one near Chili's Grill. The Chili's well is artesian and was capped due to high sulfur. The Laguna Grande well is used for irrigation. Neither well provides potable water. The well water could be pumped to the sanitary sewer in the summer when source water is most needed for recycling. Wells could be pumped water is most needed for recycling. Wells could be pumped at night when sewer flows and power costs are lower.

City of Seaside Stormwater Capture near Echo Avenue in Seaside: Urban surface water runoff would be diverted to underground infiltration chambers. Diversion to underground storage. Water would infiltrate into the groundwater basin.

City of Del Rey Oaks Stormwater Capture: The proposed Del Rey Oaks Urban Diversion Project consists of two sites: Natural springs located on Rosita Road and Calle de Oaks that have been observed to maintain continuous flow throughout the year, including during recent drought years. Rosita Road flow currently drains from a natural spring, down the curb to a pipe, and into Canyon Del Rey Creek. Similarly, the Calle de Oaks spring is diverted through a pipe and deposited into the municipal separate storm sewer system, where it is directed to Canyon Del Rey Creek. A sanitary sewer line runs through the center of both Rosita Road and Calle de Oaks. The project envisions depositing the flow directly into the sanitary sewer line to be fed into the Pure Water Monterey project during the dry season and between storms throughout the wet season.

Naval Postgraduate School Del Monte Lake Stormwater: Stormwater flows from the Del Monte Lake to the ocean. Prior to storms, the top 4 feet of the lake could be pumped to the Pure Water Monterey project. With a surface area of 11 acres, approximately 44 AF could be diverted. Diversion could be available from November to March when the Monterey Pines Golf Club does not require water from Del Monte Lake. There have been no observed migratory fish nor aquatic species. There is an existing wastewater pump station in the proximity.

Cost: Seeking design assistance of \$350,000.

7. Has the organization or any potential sub-grantees been subject to sanction or litigation by State, Local, or Federal governments in the past five years? If so, please provide details. *

No

7.1 Provide details on litigation/sanctions

No answer.

8. Project Website *

Please provide a web address (e.g., <https://website.com>) associated with the project for which you are requesting funds. If no website or webpage exists for the project, please put N/A.

<https://www.mpwmd.net/>

Section 3. Support and Funding History**1. Is this project being submitted to Senator Butler's Office? ***

Yes

2. Is this project being submitted to your member(s) in the House of Representatives? *

Yes

2.1 If yes, which member(s)?

Please use the following format - Rep. LastName

Rep. Panetta

3. Letters or Resolutions Submitted in Support of Project *

At the end of the application you will be asked to submit PDF versions of at least two (and up to five) letters or resolutions of support from a local and regional elected official or government entity representing the area where the project is located. Please write out the names of each individual or entity here. This should only be the names of the individuals and entities whose letters are directly uploaded through this portal.

For letters, please provide the title and name of the individual who authored and signed the letter.

For resolutions, please provide the governing body or organization which passed the resolution.

Please format as: State Senator Jane Doe, Cityville Mayor John Doe, Los Angeles County Supervisor Jane Doe, City of Cityville Council Resolution, etc.

Monterey One Water General Manager Paul Sciuto, City of Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson.

4. List Any Other Elected Officials, Government Entities, or (Non-Government) Organizations Partnering in or Supporting the Project *

This should only include individuals or entities that are NOT captured in the previous question about letters and resolutions of support.

Please format as: State Senator Jane Doe, City of Cityville, Community Organization, etc.

N/A

5. Has this project previously been submitted by Senator Padilla or another member of congress to the Appropriations Committee? *

Yes

5.1 Please specify which member(s) submitted the project and in which fiscal years

Ex. Padilla - FY 23. Padilla, Feinstein - FY 22.

Padilla - FY 24

6. Has this project previously been awarded funds through Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

6.1 Describe previous funding and why project is requesting Congressionally Directed Spending again?

Please include the amount of funding, fiscal year funding was awarded, and which member(s) of congress submitted the project.

No answer.

7. For Corps of Engineers and Bureau of Reclamation Projects - Has this project or program been funded in a prior FY?

No

7.1 Please list the amounts the project or program was funded in any past fiscal year

ex. FY23 - \$1,500,000, FY22 - \$1,000,000

No answer.

8. For DOE Requests - Can requestor meet required cost share?

Applicants for DOE funding, must meet cost share requirements.

The amount of required cost sharing will depend on the scope and technological maturity of the project:

- Research and development projects - minimum 20% cost share
- Demonstration or commercial projects - minimum 50% cost share
- Outreach and educational projects - no minimum cost share
- Fundamental science projects - no minimum cost share

Some projects may contain elements of more than one of the categories shown above. Therefore, some projects may have a blended cost share. **Please read the document [here](#) for information on DOE cost share requirements.**

Yes

Section 4. Contact Information

1. Best Point of Contact Name *

The individual in California or Washington representative and/or firm, if applicable, that Senator Padilla's staff can contact with questions about this project application.

Roger Gwinn

2. Best Point of Contact Affiliation *

TFG

3. Best Point of Contact Office Phone Number *

2022555759

4. Best Point of Contact Out of Office/Mobile Phone *

2022555759

5. Best Point of Contact Email *

rgwinn@tfgnet.com



Senator Padilla FY25 Interior Congressionally Directed Spending Form (Seaside

Municipal Well Water Security Project)

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Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

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The name of the person making the request, e.g. the Mayor, Board of Supervisors, Director, President, etc. Example: Mayor Jane Doe

David J. Stoldt

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4. Project Name *

The project or program to be funded.

Seaside Municipal Well Water Security

5. Grantee Legal Name *

The name of the local government or organization to receive funding.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District

6. Requesting Entity Address *

The mailing address of the local government or organization to receive funding.

Please use following format:

Street Address

City, CA Zip Code

5 Harris Court, Building G

Monterey, CA, 93940

7. Employer Identification Number (EIN) *

The Employer Identification Number, also known as a Federal Tax Identification Number, assigned to the requesting entity by the IRS. **Please provide in XX-XXXXXXX format.** This will only be used for verification of eligibility of entity to receive funding and will not be published.

94-2156702

8. Grantee Point of Contact - Name *

The name of a point of contact with the grantee who is authorized to complete the final grant agreement should this project be funded. **This CANNOT be a lobbyist or consultant.**

David J. Stoldt

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Los Angeles Office: The following counties are served by the Los Angeles office: Los Angeles, Orange, San Bernardino, Santa Barbara, Ventura.

San Diego Office: The following counties are served by the San Diego office: Imperial, Riverside, San Diego.

Sacramento Office: The following counties are served by the Sacramento office: Alpine, Amador, Butte, Calaveras, Colusa, Del Norte, El Dorado, Glenn, Humboldt, Lake, Lassen, Mendocino, Modoc, Nevada, Placer, Plumas, Sacramento, San Joaquin, Shasta, Sierra, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Sutter, Tehama, Trinity, Yolo, Yuba.

Fresno Office

12. Which county is this project located in? *

You may select multiple if the project is located in multiple counties (this is a rare occurrence).

Monterey,

Section 2. Project Information**1. Within which account in the Interior bill are you applying for funding? ***

EPA, State and Tribal Assistance Grants, STAG Infrastructure Grants

2. Amount Requested *

Write out the numeral (i.e. \$1,000,000)

\$3,200,000

3. Total Project Cost *

Write out the numeral (i.e. \$1,000,000)

\$4,000,000

4. What percentage of the project will this funding cover? *

Ex: 30%

80%

5. Brief Summary of Project *

Please provide a concise (1-2 sentences max) description of the project and what the requested funding would be used for.

For example: This funding will support the repair and replacement of aging sewer lines in the City of Cityville.

In order to ensure an adequate supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for residents, the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) must design and construct a backup potable water well to their sole water supply well.

6. Description of Project *

This description **must** provide:

1. A brief summary of the project including its purpose, goals, history, and current status, as well as the justification for the project (i.e., why funding is in the interest of taxpayers). The description should also state who/how many people the project will serve and what performance standards will be used to measure whether this project has achieved its objectives.
2. **A detailed budget breakdown of how the requested federal funding will be spent (i.e., \$ -x- for salaries; \$ -x- for programming; \$ -x- for equipment; etc.).** Please be specific when describing the activities and expenditures. The most common issue in determining if a project is eligible for funding is a lack of specific information on what the funding will be used for.
3. The status of planning and environmental review work.

This description must be complete on its own and may not simply incorporate supporting materials by reference.

The Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) serves 2,947 residents and has one active potable water well. The well is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The State Division of Drinking Water requires that any community water system using only groundwater shall have a minimum of two approved sources. SMWS does not have a second drinking water well.

Historically, when the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) had a problem with its potable well, it obtained water from California American Water (Cal-Am) through an emergency intertie. In May 2023, Cal-Am indicated that it cannot guarantee water to SMWS because Cal-Am may not have capacity and its first obligation is to provide water to its own customers. SMWS has no reliable backup water supply for its customers.

The estimated total cost of the project is \$4,000,000. MPWMD is requesting \$3,200,000, with the availability to secure the remaining \$800,000 to meet the 80/20 cost share.

7. Has the organization or any potential sub-grantees been subject to sanction or litigation by State, Local, or Federal governments in the past five years? If so, please provide details. *

No

7.1 Provide details on litigation/sanctions

No answer.

8. Project Website *

Please provide a web address (e.g., <https://website.com>) associated with the project for which you are requesting funds. If no website or webpage exists for the project, please put N/A.

<https://www.mpwmd.net/>

Section 3. Support and Funding History**1. Is this project being submitted to Senator Butler's Office? ***

Yes

2. Is this project being submitted to your member(s) in the House of Representatives? *

Yes

2.1 If yes, which member(s)?

Please use the following format - Rep. LastName

Rep. Panetta

3. Letters or Resolutions Submitted in Support of Project *

At the end of the application you will be asked to submit PDF versions of at least two (and up to five) letters or resolutions of support from a local and regional elected official or government entity representing the area where the project is located. Please write out the names of each individual or entity here. This should only be the names of the individuals and entities whose letters are directly uploaded through this portal.

For letters, please provide the title and name of the individual who authored and signed the letter.

For resolutions, please provide the governing body or organization which passed the resolution.

Please format as: State Senator Jane Doe, Cityville Mayor John Doe, Los Angeles County Supervisor Jane Doe, City of Cityville Council Resolution, etc.

City of Monterey Mayor Tyller Williamson, Monterey One Water General Manager Paul Sciuto

4. List Any Other Elected Officials, Government Entities, or (Non-Government) Organizations Partnering in or Supporting the Project *

This should only include individuals or entities that are NOT captured in the previous question about letters and resolutions of support.

Please format as: State Senator Jane Doe, City of Cityville, Community Organization, etc.

N/A

5. Has this project previously been submitted by Senator Padilla or another member of congress to the Appropriations Committee? *

No

5.1 Please specify which member(s) submitted the project and in which fiscal years

Ex. Padilla - FY 23. Padilla, Feinstein - FY 22.

No answer.

6. Has this project previously been awarded funds through Congressionally Directed Spending? *

No

6.1 Describe previous funding and why project is requesting Congressionally Directed Spending again?

Please include the amount of funding, fiscal year funding was awarded, and which member(s) of congress submitted the project.

No answer.

Section 4. Interior Specific Questions

This section has specific questions that you must answer based on the account within in the Interior Bill you are applying for (this is the account you selected in Question 1 of the Project Information Section). **For questions about other accounts please put N/A or select No.**

1. EPA STAG Clean Water and Drinking Water Requests - Justification

You must answer each of the following questions in numbered format. Please copy and paste questions and answers in response box.

1. What is the project purpose, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?
2. How will the project help the recipient meet applicable water standards—e.g. improve drinking water quality or improve surface/groundwater quality?
3. Is this project primarily to support existing water needs or to support future growth? Note that projects primarily to support future growth are typically ineligible for State Revolving Funds. Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?
4. Describe the project recipient—are they a municipality? Public water system? Other public entity?
5. What is the total estimated cost of the project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?
6. What is the amount requested for the project?
7. Is the amount requested scalable to a lower amount and if so, what is the minimum amount?
8. Please list any funding received from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others)?
9. Does the community have a financing plan certified by an authorized local official demonstrating how it will cover the matching funds of 20% or more?
10. What are the anticipated non-federal sources of funding for this project?

1. Project purpose - Drinking water.

2. In order to ensure an adequate supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for residents, the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) must design and construct a backup potable water well to their sole water supply well.

3. The Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS) serves 2,947 residents and has one active potable water well. The well is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The request is seeking funding for design and construction.

4. Monterey Peninsula Water Management District is a special district created by the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District Act, Statutes of 1977.

5. Estimated total cost - \$4,000,000

6. Amount requested - \$3,200,000

7. No

8. N/A

9. The district can follow up with a plan outlining coverage of 20 percent match.

10. Monterey Peninsula Water Management District plans to get the remaining \$800,000 from other sources.

2. EPA STAG Clean Water and Drinking Water Requests - Is the project on the state's most recently finalized Clean Water or Drinking Water State Revolving Fund Intended Use Plan?

No

3. If the answer to the question above is NO, is the project eligible under SRF guidelines?

Yes

4. EPA STAG Clean Water and Drinking Water Requests - Is the project located in a disadvantaged community (DAC) or severely disadvantaged community (SDAC) as defined by the State of California or the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law?

Yes

4.1 Please explain which definition applies to the community where the project is located.

Monterey Peninsula Water Management District will provide a detailed explanation of the impact of the project on disadvantaged communities.

5. IHS, Sanitation Facilities Construction Requests - Justification

You must answer each of the following questions in numbered format. Please copy and paste questions and answers in response box.

1. What is the project purpose, e.g., drinking water, wastewater, stormwater, and/or water quality protection?
2. Is the amount requested scalable to a lower amount and if so, what is the minimum amount?
3. Is this request seeking funding for planning and design, construction, or both?
4. Is the preliminary planning and engineering design completed for this project?
5. When will this project be ready to proceed to construction?
6. What is the total estimated cost of the project, based on the facilities plan or preliminary engineering report?
7. Please list any funding received from federal appropriations, including the fiscal year and source of funding (Clean Water SRF, Drinking Water SRF, STAG grants, USDA Rural Development Program, FEMA, or others), if applicable?
8. If applicable, does the community have a financing plan?

No answer.

6. IHS, Sanitation Facilities Construction Requests - Is the project on the IHS Sanitation Deficiency System list?

No answer.

7. If the answer to the question above is NO, is the project eligible under the Criteria for the Sanitation Facilities Construction Program?

No answer.

8. National Park Service, Historic Preservation Fund Projects - Justification

You must answer each of the following questions in numbered format. Please copy and paste questions and answers in response box.

1. What type of entity is the recipient (e.g., non-profit organization, state or local government, educational institution, Federally-recognized Indian Tribe, Alaska Natives, or Native Hawaiian Organizations)? Please specify.
2. Has the project received a previous federal grant in the past? For SAT, previous projects can be viewed here: [NPS SatMap](#). Please answer one of the following: YES and note the year, the amount, and the federal program; or NO.
3. If the request is for SAT, does the recipient have in place, or a plan to provide, the one-to-one match with non-federal cash and/or in-kind contribution? Please answer YES, NO, or N/A.
4. Would the requested project fund an eligible activity under the HPF? For example, for SAT, please visit [here](#). Please answer YES or NO.

No answer.

9. National Park Service, Historic Preservation Fund Projects - Program Requirements

If the request is for property, does the property meet the HPF program requirements of being listed on the National Register of Historic Places or as a National Historic Landmark individually or as contributing to an historic district?

No answer.

10. State and Private Forestry Requests - Justification

You must answer each of the following questions in numbered format. Please copy and paste questions and answers in response box.

1. Is the project part of a state Forest Action Plan or otherwise ranked in a prioritized list (provide list name and rank)?
2. How does this project contribute to the state Forest Action Plan?
3. What is the federal nexus for this project and why should there be a federal funding component?
4. Has this project received previous federal funds (provide year, amount, and program)?
5. What is the total cost of the project? Are there matching funds or partner contributions?
6. Is the amount requested scalable to a lower amount and if so, what is the minimum amount?
7. What is the timeline for this project?
8. Describe how the project will conserve and steward working forests or open space, protect forest health from insects and disease, meet urban and community forestry goals, create opportunities for innovative wood use, improve fire mitigation efforts, or otherwise benefit communities and forested lands.

No answer.

11. State and Private Forestry Requests - Forest Action Plan

Is this project part of or contribute to the state's Forest Action Plan?

No answer.

12.Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON) - Justification

Provide relevant details about the project. If the project is ranked low, not on the current year list, or if you are requesting a different funding amount, explain why and why it should be advanced.

No answer.

13.Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON) - Admin List

For Land and Water Conservation Fund (LWCF), Legacy Restoration Fund (LRF), or Land Management Agency Construction (LMCON), is the project on the relevant list provided by the administration?

No answer.

14.Land Management Agencies, Local Projects and Research OR Bureau of Indian Affairs OR EPA Science and Technology OR EPA STAG Infrastructure Grants

You must answer each of the following questions in numbered format. Please copy and paste questions and answers in response box. If the question does not apply to the requested project, please explain why.

1. Describe the project and make the case for its consideration.
2. Is the recipient entity a federal agency, state agency, Tribal entity, local city/county agency, university or college, or non-profit organization?
3. Does the project meet the eligibility and matching requirements for a specific grant program (provide description)?
4. Does the relevant federal agency have the authority to provide funds to this project and/or recipient (cite authority)?
5. Is the project specifically authorized (cite public law or other authority)?
6. Is the project on federal land or a federal facility?
7. Is the project funded in the President's budget request (provide amount and describe any difference between the budget and your request)?
8. What is the federal nexus for this project and why should there be a federal funding component?
9. What is the total cost of the project?
10. Has this project received previous federal funds (provide year, amount, and program)?
11. Are there matching funds or partner contributions?
12. Is this request being submitted to other Subcommittees for consideration (note Subcommittee, program, amount, and other relevant information)?
13. Is the project ranked on any federal, state, or other prioritized list (provide list name and rank)?
14. What is the timeline for this project and why are federal funds required in this fiscal year?
15. What are the estimated start and completion dates for the project?
16. Can the project obligate all of the requested funding within 12 months of receipt?

No answer.

Section 5. Contact Information

1. Best Point of Contact Name *

The individual in California or Washington representative and/or firm, if applicable, that Senator Padilla's staff can contact with questions about this project application.

Roger Gwinn

2. Best Point of Contact Affiliation *

TFG

3. Best Point of Contact Office Phone Number *

2022555759

4. Best Point of Contact Out of Office/Mobile Phone *

2022555759

5. Best Point of Contact Email *

rgwinn@tfgnet.com



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March 27, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Laphonza Butler
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of the City of Seaside, I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project. This initiative is critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

The City of Seaside requests \$3,200,000 for the Seaside Municipal Well Water Security Project, which will be used to design and construct a backup potable water well for the Seaside Municipal Water System (SMWS). The SMWS serves 2,947 residents (800 connections). Approximately half the customers are identified by the California Department of Water Resources as a Census Block Group Disadvantaged Community with median income of \$39,750. The system has one active potable water well that is over 20 years old and experiences reliability problems. The State Division of Drinking Water requires that any community water system using only groundwater shall have a minimum of two approved sources. SMWS does not have a second drinking water well. Historically, when SMWS had a problem with its potable well, it obtained water from California American Water (Cal-Am) through an emergency intertie. In May 2023, Cal-Am indicated that it cannot guarantee water to SMWS because Cal-Am may not have capacity and its first obligation is to provide water to its own customers. SMWS has no reliable backup water supply for its customers. Design of the new well needs to be completed. A test well will need to be drilled in advance of proceeding with ordering and installation of the well pump. This project will help guarantee an uninterrupted supply of clean, affordable, and reliable water for the residents of Seaside, thereby safeguarding public health and community welfare.

The project has garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the City of Seaside and the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District, underscoring the significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship. Furthermore, this initiative is especially crucial for serving our low- and moderate-income residents, ensuring equitable access to essential resources.

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Jaime M. Fontes".

Jaime M. Fontes
City Manager



Monterey One Water

Providing Cooperative Water Solutions

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March 26, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Laphonza Butler
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of Monterey One Water, I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process: the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project. This initiative is critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

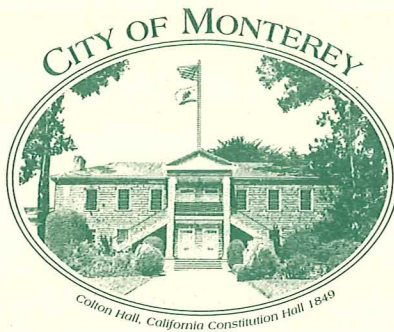
For the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project, MPWMD requests the allocation of \$875,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill. The requested funds will be used to undertake a Project Partnership Agreement, secure construction funds for completion of the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion, and complete design of up to six additional discrete, complete elements of work that will help minimize stormwater discharges by consolidating catchment areas and diverting to the Pure Water Monterey advanced water purification project. This strategic intervention not only addresses water scarcity by augmenting our region's water supply, but also mitigates the risk of flooding, improves habitat conditions, and enhances water quality in a National Marine Sanctuary. The project is designed to capture and recycle stormwater, thereby generating significant environmental and community benefits, including habitat improvements and enhanced drainage for disadvantaged communities.

The project has garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Monterey One Water, underscoring the significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship.

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,

Paul A. Sciuto
General Manager



March 28, 2024

The Honorable Alex Padilla
United States Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Laphonza Butler
United States Senate
112 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Padilla and Butler:

On behalf of the City of Monterey, I am writing to express our strong support for the allocation of funds in the Fiscal Year 2025 appropriations process: the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project. This initiative is critical in addressing our region's urgent water management and sustainability needs, ensuring a reliable water supply, and bolstering our community's resilience to environmental challenges.

For the Monterey Peninsula Stormwater Diversion and Recycling Project, MPWMD requests the allocation of \$875,000 under the Corps of Engineers, Construction, in the Energy and Water Development Appropriations bill. The requested funds will be used to undertake a Project Partnership Agreement, secure construction funds for completion of the Olivier Street Stormwater Diversion, and complete design of up to six additional discrete, complete elements of work that will help minimize stormwater discharges by consolidating catchment areas and diverting to the Pure Water Monterey advanced water purification project. This strategic intervention not only addresses water scarcity by augmenting our region's water supply, but also mitigates the risk of flooding, improves habitat conditions, and enhances water quality in a National Marine Sanctuary. The project is designed to capture and recycle stormwater, thereby generating significant environmental and community benefits, including habitat improvements and enhanced drainage for disadvantaged communities.

The project has garnered widespread support from local and regional stakeholders, including the Monterey Peninsula Water Management District and Monterey One Water, underscoring the significance to our community's sustainable water supply development and environmental stewardship.

Thank you for your consideration. Your continued support is greatly appreciated as we seek to work with our community partners to help build a more sustainable and resilient future for the residents of Monterey Peninsula.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tyller Williamson". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Tyler Williamson
Mayor, City of Monterey